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An Act for the Organization of Corporate Congregational Churches

Act 53, Public Acts of Michigan, 1901, as amended by Act 84, Public Acts, 1905, and Act 298 of Public Acts of 1913

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

SECTION 1. Sections one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine and ten of act number fifty-three of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred one, entitled "An act for the organization of corporate Congregational churches," as amended by act number eighty-four of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred five, are hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 1. It shall be lawful for any number of persons of full age, not less than five, who may desire to form themselves into a Congregational church, to adopt, execute and acknowledge before any person authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds, articles of association, in writing, whereby they shall agree to organize a church, according to the faith and usages of the churches commonly called Congregational, under the name and style set forth in said articles, which shall contain the following items:

First. The name of said church;

Second. The township, village or city, and the county in which said church shall be located;

Third. An agreement to worship and labor together as a church according to the faith and usages of the churches commonly called Congregational.

SEC. 2. The persons signing said articles may, at the same time, elect by ballot, or may designate some other time and place for so electing, not less than three nor more than twelve trustees, a majority of whom shall be members of said church, to serve until their successors shall be elected. One-third of said trustees as near as may be shall, at the first election, be chosen for three years, one-third for two years, and one-third for one year, but thereafter, except to fill vacancies, they shall be chosen for three years, of which election a full record shall be made, and a certified copy of such record, signed by the presiding officer and secretary of the meeting at which said election is held, together with said articles of association, shall be recorded by the clerk of the county in which such church or place of worship is or shall be located, in a book by him provided for that purpose, and such clerk shall be entitled to a fee of ten cents per folio for recording the same. When said articles of association and the certificate of election of said trustees shall have been so filed for record, the persons who shall have signed said articles, together with those who shall thereafter become members of said church, and, if the articles of association so provide, those persons being of legal age, who are, and those who shall become regular contributors to the support of said church, shall become and be a body corporate under the name and style adopted in said articles, which name shall conform to the following form, namely: The (insert name or number) Congregational church of (insert name of place of location).

SEC. 3. It shall be lawful for said corporation at any regular or called meeting of its members, due notice having been given as hereinafter provided, by a two-thirds majority of the ballots cast at such meeting, to amend its articles of association in any manner not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, and such amendment shall become operative when a copy of the same, duly certified by the presiding officer and clerk of such meeting, and acknowledged before any person authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds, shall be filed with the clerk of the county for record.

SEC. 4. At all meetings of said corporations, subsequent to the first, right to vote upon questions involving the acquirement and disposition of property and the expenditure of money shall be confined to adult members of the church so incorporated, and, if the articles of association so provide, those persons being of legal age, who are regular contributors to its support: Provided, That if said church shall have suspended worship, the right to vote shall be determined as of the date of such suspension.

SEC. 5. Notice of meetings of said corporation, specifying the time, place, and object thereof, shall be read from the pulpit on the two successive Sundays preceding such meeting on which services shall be held: Provided, however, That in case it is proposed to amend the articles of association, the proposed amendment, together with a notice of the meeting called for its consideration, shall be read from the pulpit on the three successive Sundays, immediately preceding such meeting on which services shall be held; and the proposed amendment shall not itself be amended, in any material point, in the meeting so called for its consideration: And provided further, That if there should be no public services at which the notice herein required may be given, said notice may be posted on the church door or published in the town, city or county newspaper whose circulation among the members is greatest, for three weeks preceding such meeting, specifying the time and place and object thereof.

SEC. 6. In the management of the secular affairs of the church so incorporated and of the business of said corporation, but subject always to its direction and control, the board of trustees thereof shall have and exercise all such powers of the board of directors of a business corporation as are appropriate to the purposes and business of a religious corporation: Provided, however, That said board of trustees shall not choose, call, settle or dismiss a pastor or fix his salary, or buy, sell, convey or incumber real estate or any right thereto or interest therein, unless instructed so to do by said corporation at a regularly called meeting: And provided further, That members of the board of trustees and such other officers as may be provided for in the articles of association shall be elected by ballot at a regularly called meeting of those entitled to vote under the articles of association.

SEC. 7. Such corporation may have a seal and alter the same at will. It may, in its corporate name, sue and be sued in all courts of competent jurisdiction. Subject to the provisions of this act it shall have power to choose, call and settle a pastor and fix his salary; to elect trustees, treasurer and clerk and such other officers as may be provided for in its articles of association; to direct and control their actions; to acquire, hold, manage, control, sell and convey property both real and personal; to hold and recover all debts, damages, rights, privileges and all property, real, personal or mixed of what-

soever nature they or it may be and in whosoever hands held, belonging or appertaining to said church or to the religious organization out of which it is incorporated or reincorporated the same as if the right and title to said property had originally been vested in said corporation. It may hold so much real estate as may be needed for the purpose of church building, parsonage and cemetery purposes and of any so-called institutional activities; it may also hold for a period not exceeding ten years, such real estate as may be conveyed or devised to it even though the same be not needed for the purposes above mentioned or be actually occupied by it in the exercise of its franchises: Provided, however, That all property of said corporation whether real, personal or mixed or whether held in fee or in trust and the income therefrom and the proceeds thereof when sold shall, subject to the terms of any trust or trusts relating thereto or to any part thereof, be held and used by said corporation for the benefit of said church as a Congregational religious organization, and for no other purpose whatsoever, except as provided in section eight of this act. Said corporation may and shall hold in perpetuity as a permanent fund all property given, bequeathed or devised to it or acquired by it for the purpose of an endowment, the income from which fund, subject to the terms of any specific trust or trusts relating thereto, or to any particular part thereof, may be used for any lawful purposes of said church or corporation: Provided, That as to real estate, said property, when so required by law, may be sold and the proceeds from such sale covered into said fund: And provided further, That said corporation, in the lawful administration of said fund, may sell any property therein and re-invest the proceeds of such sale in such securities and other property as shall be lawful investments for saving banks and trustees in this state, said property and securities when acquired, to become a part of the principal of said fund: And provided further, That none of the offerings of said church received or collected for missionary or benevolent purposes shall be used for the current running expenses of said church or corporation; nor shall any fund or funds, money or other property received, set aside, accumulated or acquired for a specific purpose be diverted to any other use without the consent of the donor or his duly authorized representative.

SEC. 8. In all cases where the property of any corporation subject to the provisions of this act has been abandoned, or is no longer used for the benefit of said corporation as a Congregational religious organization, or if said corporation has for a period of two years ceased to exercise its corporate functions, or to hold regular religious services, then, in any or all of such cases, the local association of churches with which it is, or has last been connected may, by resolution declare the said corporation extinct and may notify the Michigan Congregational Conference, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of this state, of such resolution. Upon receiving such notice the said conference by its executive committee or such officer as said committee may designate, may apply to any court of equity jurisdiction in the county in which said property may be, for a decree, dissolving said corporation and vesting the title to its property in the said Michigan Congregational Conference. The application for such decree shall contain a statement of the reasons for said action and there shall be annexed thereto a duly certified copy of the resolution of the local association of churches

to which said corporation belonged, declaring said church extinct, as above provided. Upon the filing of said application an order shall be entered, requiring all persons interested in said corporation, to show cause if any they have why such corporation should not be dissolved, at some time and place to be therein specified, not less than four weeks from the date thereof. Notice of the contents of such order shall be published once in each week for three successive weeks in a newspaper published in said county, if any such there be, and if not, in such newspaper of general circulation in said county as the court may direct. On the day appointed in such order, or on any day to which the court may adjourn the proceedings, if it shall appear to the court that the facts set forth in said application are true, a decree shall be entered, dissolving said corporation and vesting the title to its property in the said Michigan Congregational Conference, and such corporation shall thereupon be dissolved and the title to its property shall vest in the said Michigan Congregational Conference, which shall hold the said property, or the proceeds thereof if, in its judgment, it shall be deemed wise to sell it, in trust for two years and if, within said time, a Congregational church shall be incorporated under this act as the successor of the church so dissolved and shall be received in due form as a member of the local association to which the said church belonged at the time of its dissolution, it shall be the duty of the said Michigan Congregational Conference, on receiving satisfactory proof of said facts, to convey the said property or the proceeds thereof to the said church so incorporated which shall then be deemed to be in all respects the successor of the said church so dissolved, and shall succeed to all of its rights, privileges, property and obligations, except as above provided, as if said corporation had not been dissolved. But if no such church is so organized and incorporated, the absolute title to said property shall vest in the said Michigan Congregational Conference, subject to all trusts affecting the same in the hands of the dissolved corporation.

Sec. 9. Any church or religious organization, whether incorporated or unincorporated, may, at a meeting duly called for the purpose, by a two-thirds vote of those persons present and voting, place itself under the provisions of this act, the same as if incorporated under it by adopting and filing articles of association as provided in section two hereof.

Sec. 10. In all cases, whether in law or in equity, that may arise in any of the courts of the state, regarding churches incorporated under this act, or those which by vote shall have put themselves under its provisions, all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith shall be interpreted and construed in such manner as to give full force and effect to the provisions of this act.

In effect after August 15, 1913.

AN ACT to Provide for the Voluntary Dissolution of Ecclesiastical Societies Auxiliary to Congregational Churches, and for the Disposition of their Property, and to Repeal Act Number Forty-seven of the Public Acts of Nineteen Hundred One, Entitled, "An Act for the Consolidation in Congregational Churches of an Ecclesiastical Society with its Church."

Act 303, Public Acts of Michigan, 1913

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

SECTION 1. Whenever any Congregational church, in connection with which is an already incorporated religious or ecclesiastical society, at any regular or called meeting, shall express by ballot and by a two-thirds vote of its qualified members present and voting a desire to assume said corporate powers and the direction and control of its property and secular affairs, the trustees of said society, upon receiving official notification of the vote of said church, shall forthwith call a meeting of said society, of which meeting notice shall be given on three successive Sundays next preceding the date of said meeting, specifying the time, place and object thereof, to consider and vote upon the questions stated in section two hereof.

SEC. 2. At the meeting so called, the following question shall be put to vote:

Shall the title to all the property of the (name of society) be vested in theCongregational church of..... Michigan, and the said society be dissolved?

The vote shall be by ballot and if two-thirds of the ballots cast shall be in the affirmative, a duly certified copy of such resolution shall be transmitted to the clerk of the said church who shall call a meeting of the said church, which shall then prepare, execute and place on record, articles of association under and in accordance with the provisions of act number fifty-three of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred one, and the amendments thereto, or such other act as may hereafter supersede said act and upon recording said articles of association as provided in said act the said society shall be dissolved and all property owned by it shall pass to and be held by the said church so incorporated under the name and style adopted by it in the said articles of association, and all liabilities of said society shall be assumed and paid by said church.

SEC. 3. Act number forty-seven of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred one, entitled "An act for the consolidation in Congregational churches of an ecclesiastical society with its church," is hereby repealed: Provided, however, That notwithstanding the repeal thereof, all rights of every kind and nature now held or enjoyed under and by virtue thereof, are expressly preserved and shall continue unimpaired; and said act shall be deemed to be still in force for the enjoyment and protection of said rights but for no other purpose whatsoever.

In effect after August 15, 1913.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

(As amended May 23, 1934.)

ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference.

ARTICLE II

The object of this Conference is and shall be, in general, the propagation of the religious faith and ecclesiastical polity of the Congregational and Christian Churches in connection with the said Conference, and with "The General Council of the Congregational and Christian Churches of the United States," and for the carrying out of this object, the reception, holding, investing, reinvesting and disbursement of such moneys and properties as may be given or bequeathed to it for any purposes within the scope of the Conference and more particularly the following:—

- (1) The planting and nurturing of Sunday Schools of said faith and order.
- (2) The planting and aiding of churches of said faith and order.
- (3) The helping of churches of said faith and order in erecting houses of worship and parsonages.
- (4) The careful oversight of the churches of said faith and order in conjunction with advisory committees chosen by the local associations of churches.
- (5) The relief of disabled ministers of said faith and order and of their families.
- (6) The extension of Christianity in foreign lands; the furtherance of Christian education; and co-operation with all the benevolent interests of said faith and order.
- (7) The providing for the training and examination of such applicants for licensure and ordination, within said faith and order as have not received the collegiate and seminary education.
- (8) The providing a bureau of ministerial supply.
- (9) The collection and preservation of results of councils, and of records, minutes, books, etc., pertaining to churches and ministers of said faith and order.
- (10) The doing of whatever else may foster the growth, or promote the welfare or the interests of said faith and order, not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Michigan or of the United States.

ARTICLE III

Members.—SECTION 1. Every Congregational or Christian church connected with a local Association in this State is entitled to representation in this Conference by its pastor, if a member in regular standing in some local association in this State, and by one delegate to be chosen by such church annually.

SEC. 2. All officers of the Conference, all ministers in regular standing in any local Association in the State, and all who may be members of the Board of Trustees in regular standing during any part of the annual State meeting are entitled to membership in the Conference.

ARTICLE IV

Meetings.—The annual meeting of this Conference shall be held at such place as shall have been selected at the previous meeting, and shall begin on the third Tuesday in May, at 7:30 p. m.; if any exigency arise, which, in the unanimous opinion of the moderator, registrar and scribe, requires a special meeting of the Conference, or a change in either the time or place of the annual meeting thereof, it shall be competent for these officers to call such special meeting, or to make such change of time or place of holding the annual meeting, by giving thirty days' notice to the clerks of the churches and to the ministerial members. Notice of a special meeting must state its purposes.

ARTICLE V

Quorum.—Thirty-five members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VI

Trustees.—The Board of Trustees of this Conference shall be composed of the Moderator and of one representative from each local association of Congregational and Christian churches and ministers, one from each new association as formed, and twelve to be chosen from the state at large, provided that at least one-third of the entire number shall be women. They shall be elected by ballot on Wednesday, the second day of the meeting of the Conference. At the first election one-third shall be elected for a term of three years, one-third for two years and one-third for one year, and thereafter one-third for a term of three years and shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. No trustee shall be eligible for re-election after having served two consecutive terms until he shall have been out of office at least one year, it being construed that election for a portion of a term is equivalent to the full term. Said trustees shall annually elect seven members of their number, of whom at least one-third shall be women, as an Executive Committee, who shall have such power as may be vested in them by the Board of Trustees. The Board shall have power to fill vacancies in their membership until the next meeting of the Conference.

The Board of Trustees shall have charge of the property of the Conference, and shall transact either directly or through their Executive Committee, all of the affairs thereof, except as otherwise provided. They shall receive, hold, control, invest, reinvest and expend all the moneys or property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the said Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference and shall apply the same, or the proceeds thereof, to the work of said Conference, or to such branches thereof as may be designated in the will, bequest or trust, in accordance with the laws of the State. The Trustees shall, by every means within their power, promote each and all of the objects of the Conference stated in Article II, and shall make annual report to the Conference of the administration of the funds, the work accomplished and the existing condition in each department of effort, and shall recommend such appropriation of moneys, the creation of such agencies and the initiation of such measures as in their judgment shall be best adapted to promote the interests of the said several departments. They shall carry into effect the action of the Conference upon their recommendations, but the appointment, oversight and control of all such agencies shall be vested in the Trustees and their Executive Committee, provided that any appointment of a superintendent shall be subject to confirmation of the Conference. A majority of the members elect of said Board shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VII

Said Conference may hold real and personal property as is permitted by law, to be devoted exclusively to the purposes set forth in Article II. (As amended May 15, 1917.)

ARTICLE VIII

These Articles may be amended at any regular meeting of the Conference by a two-thirds vote of the members present, due notice having been given at the previous annual meeting, designating the subject and article to be affected.

ARTICLE IX

The term of existence of this corporation is fixed in perpetuity from the twenty-first day of May, 1916.

CONSTITUTION

(As amended June 9, 1910, May 14, 1914, and May 23, 1934.)

PREAMBLE

The Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference in voluntary fellowship for the promotion of the Church of Christ through common consecration and co-operation, makes confession of its devout faith in one God, our Father in Heaven, who has manifested Himself to the world in Jesus Christ, His Son, our Lord, and in living fellowship abides in His children through His Spirit, our guide and comforter; and, believing that the principles of the Congregational system of church government are best adapted to the promotion of the welfare of the Christian church, and believing, moreover, that the extension and efficiency of the system would be greatly promoted by organizing a general Conference of the Congregational and Christian churches and ministers the following:

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

Name.—This Ecclesiastical Organization shall be called The Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference.

ARTICLE II

Object.—The object of this Conference shall be as stated in the Articles of Association. It will aim to promote Christian fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate information relative to the churches throughout the State, our country and the world; and by prayers, counsels and faithful efforts, to advance the cause of truth and holiness, but it shall exercise no ecclesiastical control or authority over the churches and ministers belonging to it.

ARTICLE III

Membership.—SECTION 1. The membership of this Conference shall be set forth in the Articles of Association.

SEC. 2. Any member of full legal age of any Congregational or Christian church connected with a local association in the State shall be eligible to election to any office in the Conference.

ARTICLE IV

Officers.—SECTION 1. The officers of this Conference shall be a moderator, assistant moderator, scribe, and auditor, all of whom shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations and elected annually by ballot, and assistant scribe chosen viva voce at each meeting. There shall also, be a registrar and a treasurer. The offices of state superintendent and registrar shall be combined without additional compensation to the superintendent. The treasurer shall be appointed by the trustees at their meeting next preceding the annual meeting of the Conference, and subject to confirmation by the conference.

Duties of Officers.—SEC. 2. (1) The duties of moderator, assistant moderator, scribe and auditor shall be such as usually pertain to these offices.

(2) It shall be the duty of the registrar to keep a true record of all meetings and transactions of the Conference; to give due notice of the time and place of each meeting; to furnish churches with schedules for annual reports; to receive and distribute all schedules of statistics, programs and year books; to superintend the publishing of the minutes, and such other printing connected with his department as the Conference may order. He shall furnish the Conference, the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee, and the local associations any information required by them on all matters relating to his department. For these services he shall receive such compensation as the trustees shall direct.

(3) The registrar of each local association shall be requested by conference with the advisory committee of that association, or by correspondence with the churches, to gather and send to the registrar of this Conference, after the meeting of the local association next preceding the meeting of this Conference, such a statement of the facts regarding the progress of the churches and the methods of their life and work as he may be able to gather, and the registrar shall, from these statements and from other available sources, present to the Conference such a general view of methods, of efforts and of progress, or the contrary, as he shall judge best fitted to stimulate the life and work of the churches of the State.

(4) The treasurer shall receive all moneys, shall be the custodian of all funds, and shall disburse the same upon the order of the Board of Trustees or their Executive Committee. He shall make an annual report of his doings to the Conference, accompanied by the auditor's certificate of the correctness of his accounts. He shall also give bonds for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum as the Board of Trustees shall require and his compensation shall be determined by vote of the trustees.

ARTICLE V

Meetings.—The annual meeting of this Conference shall be held at such place as shall have been selected at the previous meeting, and shall begin on the third Tuesday of May, at 7 30 p. m., and continue to such hour as the Business Committee may determine. If any exigency shall arise, which, in the unanimous opinion of the moderator, registrar and scribe, requires a special meeting of this body, or change in either the time or place of the annual meeting thereof, it shall be competent for these officers to call such special meeting, or to make such change upon giving thirty days' notice to the clerks of the churches and to the ministerial members. Notice of a special meeting must state its purpose.

ARTICLE VI

Quorum.—~~Thirty-five~~ members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VII

Trustees.—The number, method of election, powers and duties of the trustees shall be as prescribed in the articles of association of the Conference. They shall also have power to appoint, subject to the confirmation of the Conference, a Superintendent, who shall not be a member of the board, and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the board, but not for more than one year upon one appointment. The Board of Trustees or their Executive Committee shall also have power to fill any vacancy in

any of the offices or committees of the Conference until the next annual meeting of the Conference.

It shall also be the function of this board to act as a consulting body and bureau of information in regard to all of the Congregational interests of the State; to co-operate with and supplement the work of the advisory committees in the local associations; to gather and keep on file all available information in regard to churches and ministers; to advise in matters submitted to them by the local associations their advisory or other committees, or by the churches and ministers; and in general, to unify and strengthen the churches, to elevate the standard of the ministry, and to promote the spirit of Christian fellowship. *Provided*, that in no way shall their action limit or interfere with the rights and liberties of the local churches.

It shall also be the duty of this board to keep in close touch with Christian institutions of learning, and to seek, by active measures, to inspire and promote to our churches, schools and homes, the gathering of worthy and competent recruits for the ministry.

ARTICLE VIII

Superintendent.—A superintendent shall be appointed by the Trustees, at their meeting next preceding the annual meeting of the Conference, and subject to confirmation by the Conference, who shall have general oversight and direction of the work in the State, modified and restricted only by the powers given to the Trustees or their Executive Committee and such rules as they may adopt. The superintendent shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the Trustees, subject to the approval of the Conference.

ARTICLE IX

Committees.—SECTION 1. There shall be elected a Business Committee of six, three of whom shall serve for two years, three for one year, and thereafter three shall be chosen annually for a term of two years. One of the committee shall be the minister of the church with which the Conference votes next to meet. It shall be the duty of this Committee to arrange for and prepare a program and order of business for all meetings to be held by the Conference, and place a docket of the same in the hands of the moderator. Any member may introduce items of business but all business not previously submitted to the Business Committee shall be referred to this committee to be reported on before final adjournment.

SEC. 2. There shall be a Nominating Committee of four, to be elected by ballot, two to serve two years, two to serve one year, and thereafter two to be chosen annually for a term of two years, whose duty it shall be to make all nominations not otherwise provided for, and to keep a record of all the nominations confirmed by the Conference in a book to be provided by the registrar.

SEC. 3. An Obituary Committee of three shall be chosen annually, who shall make a fit report to this Conference of the service of those ministers who at their death were, or long had been, members of the body, and such lay members who had rendered conspicuous service to our churches.

SEC. 4. Such other committees as may be needed shall be appointed by the Conference or by the Board of Trustees, and any member of full legal age of any Congregational or Christian church within the State shall be eligible for such service.

ARTICLE X

General Council.—This Conference appreciating the fellowship of the churches, and the need of comprehensive plans for advancing the Redeemer's Kingdom, will be represented by delegates in the General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches.

ARTICLE XI

Amendments.—This constitution may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the conference by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided notice shall have been given at the previous annual meeting, designating the subject and articles to be affected.

BY-LAWS

1. *Organization.*—The annual meeting shall be opened by the moderator or assistant, or, in their absence, the registrar or the minister of the church with which the Conference meets shall call the members to order, and shall preside until a moderator pro tem is chosen. Wednesday morning the Conference shall be organized by making a roll of members and electing scribes for the meeting. The moderator and assistant moderator shall be elected at this session and shall serve through the year and until their successors are elected.

2. *Roll.*—On the first evening of the meeting the registrar shall circulate and collect cards on which the ministers and delegates entitled to membership shall write their names, together with the names, respectively of their church and local associations. The registrar shall, from these cards, complete the roll and report such early the next day.

3. *Advisory Members.*—Only the business committee shall propose the names of advisory members.

4. *Conduct of Business.*—(1) Each session shall be opened and closed with prayer. The minutes shall be read for approval on the morning of each day and at the close of the meeting.

(2) The usage of like deliberative bodies shall be observed in the conduct of business, except as otherwise provided.

(3) When a motion is under debate, no motion shall be received except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, division of the question, yeas and nays, or the previous question, viz.: SHALL THE MAIN QUESTION NOW BE PUT? and these motions, except for amendment, shall not be debated.

(4) In debate, no member, without leave of the body, shall speak more than ten minutes, nor more than once while others wish to occupy the floor.

5. *Apportionment.*—It is recommended that each local association pay, through its registrar to the treasurer of this Conference, at its annual meeting, whatever money may remain unpaid, of the amount apportioned to the churches of such association.

6. *Committees.*—Members of committees holding over from year to year shall be ex-officio members of the Conference during their term of office.

7. *Delegates to the General Council.*—In accord with the rules of the General Council and by Resolution adopted at the 100th Annual Meeting of the Conference, Michigan delegates to General Council shall be chosen as follows:

(a) *Delegates-at-Large.*—Each State or District Conference or Convention shall be entitled to one delegate-at-large for the first full 5,000 members, and also one additional at large for each successive 5,000 members or major fraction thereof.

The superintendent, minister, or chief executive officer of each Conference or Convention shall be ex-officio a delegate to the General Council meetings and convener of his delegation.

(b) *Unit Delegates.*—The churches within each Association (or corresponding body) in each State or District Conference or Convention shall be grouped by the said Conference or Convention into units of not fewer than 1,000 members each. One delegate shall be nominated by each unit from

among its own members, which nominee shall be elected by the Association. The delegate from each unit shall be expected to report the findings and proceedings of the General Council meetings to the church or churches of his unit. If an Association has fewer than 1,000 members it may be joined with an adjacent Association in forming units, provided however, that if a Conference or Convention finds it impracticable to join an Association having a membership of more than 500 but fewer than 1,000 to another Association, it may provide that such Association may elect one delegate.

No delegate shall be seated as a unit delegate unless such delegate is a member of a church within that particular unit. Each unit may nominate as many alternates from the same classification as it may desire, but no alternate shall have any official standing unless the regularly elected delegate fails to register at the General Council meeting within 24 hours after the Council convenes and such alternate is elected by the Conference delegation to replace said delegate.

Not more than one member from any one church shall be seated as a unit delegate at any one Council meeting. Delegates-at-large, State Superintendents, Secretaries of the Council, representatives of colleges and seminaries, and others having standing ex officio in the Council are not regarded as unit delegates.

(c) Each State or District Conference or Convention shall determine by vote at its annual meeting the method of nomination and election of its own delegates-at-large. Each unit shall nominate alternately a lay person and a minister as a delegate to each General Council meeting.

(d) Any delegate who shall remove his residence from the geographical bounds of the conference, association or unit, by which he has been elected to the Council shall be deemed by the fact of that removal to have resigned his membership in the Council, and the conference, association or unit, as the case may be, may proceed to fill the unexpired term by election.

8. *Roll to Be Furnished Nominating Committee.*—It shall be the duty of the registrar, early in the session of the body, to furnish the nominating committee a copy of the roll of members.

9. *The fiscal year* of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall begin on the first day of January and shall coincide with the calendar year. Provided, however, that this by-law shall not be understood to affect in any manner the time of holding the annual meeting, or of the election of officers, or of the beginning or ending of the term for which officers are elected.

10. *Suspension of Rules.*—Any of these rules, except the eleventh, may be suspended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

11. *Amendment of Rules.*—Any motion to amend or repeal any rule of this body may be read on two different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be: SHALL IT BE READ A SECOND TIME?

RESOLUTION

Resolution adopted at the annual meeting May 19-20, 1909: That the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees be held as a stated policy on the opening day of the meeting of the state conference for consideration and for action upon such matters as shall require attention.

RECOMMENDATIONS

In accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association and the Constitution of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference it is recommended to the churches and local associations that provision be made for the appointment of local advisory committees in the associations to act in conjunction with the trustees of the state body; it is also recommended that provisions be made according to specifications given herewith for the examination, licensure and ordination of candidates for the ministry.

These recommendations pertain first to the appointment of local association advisory committees. It is recommended:

I. That each local association appoint a committee to be called the Advisory Committee, consisting of five members, of which the moderator and registrar of the association shall be members *ex officio*, and three other members, to be elected at the annual meeting, as follows: At the first election one member to be elected for one year, one for two years and one for three years; and thereafter one to be elected each year to serve three years. It is urged that special care be taken to secure the most competent membership for the committee.

II. The functions of this committee to be—

1. To know the churches and ministers within the bounds of the association, their character, needs, and conditions, and to keep a record of the same corrected to date and filed with the registrar.

2. To hold itself in readiness at all times to assist, inform, advise, and suggest, upon request, in cases where a change of pastorate, the organization of a church, the consolidation of fields or other exigencies affecting the common welfare of our churches, may call for such action.

3. To be in active and constant communication with the Board of Trustees of the state conference; filing with it its local information; gathering from its larger files wider information; reporting to it at once any changes in fields or men; making investigation at its request, and aiding in all possible ways its effort to know Congregational life.

4. To act in conjunction with the pastor of the church where a meeting of the association is to be held, as the program committee; with a view to suggesting, from its knowledge of the field, vital and practical topics, presenting plans of progress or extension, and increasing the interest among both clerical and lay members of our churches, in the meetings and work of the association.

5. To be the Missionary Committee of the association.

These recommendations pertain second, to ordination and examination on the course of study.

I. Inasmuch as under our present system ministerial standing vests in the local association, it is recommended that to the same body be accorded the function of passing, after due examination, upon the credentials and fitness of candidates for ordination. It is suggested that the procedure be as follows:

1. A church seeking to induct into its pastorate a man who has not been ordained, may present the candidate for examination at a meeting of the local association with which the church is connected; notice of such intention having been previously given to the registrar and printed on the program of the association meeting.

2. The said association to examine the candidate thus presented in regard to his intellectual, moral and spiritual fitness for the ministry,

and if approved, to present a certificate of such approval to him and to the church presenting him.

3. Upon the basis of such certificate the church to proceed, either then or thereafter; to the ordination of the candidate through a council of fellowship; the same being either the association or a group of churches elected by the church and the candidate.

II. Inasmuch as this conference has provided a course of study for those applicants for ordination who have not received collegiate and seminary education, it is recommended that, for the sake of uniformity, the examination of candidates on this course of study be conducted by a committee of the state conference; and that the certificate of said committee that he has completed this course satisfactorily shall be required in all such cases by the local associations before it proceeds to his examination for ordination.

Resolution Adopted at the Annual Meeting May 16, 18, 1911

That the committee on examination and course of study be instructed to hold the examination of licentiates on the opening day of the conference.

CONFERENCE COURSE OF STUDY

Revised

GROUP I

For Study

- "Our Recovery of Jesus"—W. E. Bundy
- "The Religion of Jesus"—W. E. Bundy
- "Concerning the Ministry"—John Oman
- "The Preparation and Delivery of Sermons"—Carl S. Patton
- "Beliefs That Matter"—W. A. Brown
- "The Story of the Bible"—E. J. Goodspeed

For Reading

- "A Faith for Today"—H. F. Rall
- "The Minister's Job"—A. W. Palmer
- "Pastoral Psychology"—Karl R. Stolz
- "A Guide to Understanding the Bible"—H. E. Fosdick

For Reference

- "The Abingdon Bible Commentary"

GROUP II

For Study

- "The Life of Paul"—B. W. Robinson
- "St. Paul"—A. D. Neck
- "How Shall I Learn to Teach Religion"—B. Carrier
- "Outlines of Christian Theology"—W. A. Brown
- "The World and God"—H. H. Farmer
- "Church Work with Young People"—H. T. Stock

For Reading

- "The Mind of Christ in Paul"—F. C. Porter
- "Character and Christian Education"—Stewart Cole
- "Pathways to the Reality of God"—R. M. Jones
- "Prayer and Worship"—D. V. Steere
- "The Use of the Bible in Preaching"—Carl S. Patton

For Reference

- A one volume Dictionary of the Bible, either the Standard or Hastings

GROUP III

For Study

- "Outlines of Christian Theology"—W. A. Brown
- "The Gospel, the Church and Society"—F. L. Fagley
- "The Psychology of Religion"—G. A. Coe
- "Social Salvation"—John C. Bennett
- "Preaching Values in the O. T."—H. E. Luccock
- "Preaching Values in the N. T."—H. E. Luccock

For Reading

- *"A Working Faith for the World"—H. V. White
- *"A History of Christian Thought," 2 Vols.—A. C. McGiffert
- *"Makers of Christianity," 3 Vols.—Ease, McNeill, Sweet
- "God and the Common Life"—R. L. Calhoun
- (*I feel there should be a work on church history and history of the doctrine.)

For Reference

- "Cruden's Concordance of the Bible"
- "Book of Church Services"—The Pilgrim Press
- "Social Action" (Magazine)

**MINUTES OF THE
ONE HUNDRED FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING
of the
MICHIGAN CONFERENCE OF CONGREGATIONAL-
CHRISTIAN CHURCHES**

Held at Kalamazoo, May 22-23, 1946

The One Hundred Fourth Annual Meeting of the Michigan Congregational-Christian Conference was opened at the First Congregational Church of Kalamazoo with a devotional service led by Chaplain Russell H. McConnell, who spoke on the theme "Stained Glass Is Fragile." The Rev. Gordon Speer, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 10:30 o'clock, Wednesday morning, May 22. Rev. Charles Hastie was elected Scribe and Miss Kathryn Lohr, Assistant Scribe.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the One Hundred Third Annual Meeting be accepted and placed on record as printed.

The Rev. E. E. Hoats moved that the program for the meeting as printed be adopted, such changes as have been made to be announced. The motion was seconded and carried.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the following be made corresponding members for the session:

Mrs. Howard Stone Anderson	Rev. Henry Smith Leiper
Dr. Malcolm B. Dana	Miss Mary Lou Pettit
Rev. Truman B. Douglass	Rev. Paul H. Reynolds
Rev. Thomas Keehn	and local ministers.

The Conference resolved itself into the 52nd meeting of the Home Missionary Society. (See minutes on page 34.)

On the Conference's again reporting in session the Rev. Howard Towne offered a resolution that the Conference be reincorporated, the present corporation expiring in the current month. The motion was carried by unanimous vote.

The Rev. Truman B. Douglass, Executive Vice-President of the Home Boards, made an address on the theme "One People—U.S.A." "We are living between two worlds," he said. "Old things have passed away, the new is not yet discernible. We cannot manufacture the future. It will help us to know why change is hurting us however." Citing the role of the American Missionary Association in the remarkable progress of the Negro through two generations, he further stated that it was possible for us now to set in motion creative forces to assist the divinely moved events in process. Christians must see the victory of faith as more than the victory of our side alone. The age to come will seem good to all whose faith sees good in the increase of justice. The offense of the cross confronts all who have shared as people of privilege in the old order. We must overcome pride as we can through the Christian Gospel to become one fellowship of people in the day that is emerging. In these times the church is worthy of our deepest faith and consecration.

Dr. Skidmore, acting for Dr. Howard A. Blanning, presented ministers entering or re-entering the Michigan Conference during the year. The list is included in the Report of the Superintendent.

The Moderator called upon Dr. Arie Binkhorst to close the morning session with prayer.

LUNCHEON MEETING—WEDNESDAY

At the luncheon meeting in the Y.M.C.A., Dr. Paul H. Clark, presiding, presented the Rev. Donald Evans who, assisted by directors of the summer conferences, outlined plans for the junior high, high school and Christian education conferences projected for the coming summer.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The afternoon session was called to order by the Moderator. The Rev. Harold Watson led the Conference in prayer. The Rev. Paul Clark presented the report of the Board of Christian Education. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted.

The Rev. Donald R. Evans presented the report of the Director of Christian Education. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted. (See Exhibit VII.)

The Rev. Paul Reynolds, Secretary of the Christian Education Division of Home Missions, addressed the Conference on the theme "Homes Are What You Make Them." "Homes are still more important than any other institution," he said. "At the present moment the federal government, colleges and universities and the secular press are swinging into line to strengthen home life. Sociological studies indicate that the church is basic in home building. The Federal Council and our own churches through the Congregational Commission on Family Life are making significant contributions currently in this important work."

The Moderator presented Mr. Fred Gunn, Assistant Moderator, who took charge of the session at this point.

Mr. E. E. Harris, Treasurer of the Conference, presented his report. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be adopted and placed on file. (See Exhibit II.)

The Superintendent of the Conference, Dr. Harold N. Skidmore, presented the report of the superintendent. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted and placed on file. (See Exhibit I.) The Moderator called upon the Rev. Samuel Oliver for the report of the Nominating Committee. Dr. Oliver introduced the Rev. Norman Woon, who placed the name of the Rev. Ray Caldwell before the Conference for Moderator for the ensuing year. It was moved, supported and carried that the nomination be accepted. The name of Mr. Ray Johnston of Detroit was offered as candidate for Associate Moderator. It was moved, supported and carried that the nomination be accepted.

Dr. Oliver presented the remainder of the Nominating Committee's report. Subject to the amendment that the name of Mrs. Weaver, who declined to serve, be substituted by that of Mrs. E. A. Schaap of the same district, it was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted. The Scribe was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the entire list of candidates and they were declared elected. (See list at end of this report.)

The Rev. Mr. Speer presented Miss Frances Dunnette who introduced Mrs. Howard Stone Anderson, President of the National Fellowship of Congregational-Christian Women, who spoke upon the theme "All One Body We." Following announcement of committee meetings pending, the session was adjourned with prayer by the Rev. H. A. Miles.

DINNER SESSION

Miss Mary Lou Pettit of Grand Rapids, President of the Michigan Pilgrim Fellowship, presented members of State Fellowship's advisory board and delegated to the projected National Pilgrim Fellowship meeting at Doane College. The Rev. Paul Raynolds spoke on the theme "New World A-comin'." Miss Margaret Kennedy and Mr. Douglas Swift spoke appealingly of Pilgrim Fellowship work.

EVENING SESSION

At the evening session, a service of worship, the Rev. George W. Shepherd delivered the Conference sermon on the theme "A Chinese Columbus Discovers America." Dr. Skidmore presided over a memorial service for ministerial members of the Conference deceased in the past year, Rev. Chas. Taggart and Rev. Rex Holman. The host pastor, Dr. Keith, administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, assisted by Dr. Skidmore.

THURSDAY MORNING

The Chaplain, Rev. Russell McConnell, led the morning devotions, speaking out of his experience as a naval chaplain on the theme "Worship on the Gun Deck."

The meeting was called to order and Dr. Douglass presented, who addressed the Conference a second time. His subject was "The Church Goes Forward." He cited the re-emergence of a high view of the Church as the most important movement in Congregationalism. The succession of catastrophic events in our current living have given us a new appreciation for the prophetic message of Christianity and of the unique role of the Church as the divinely chosen instrument for the mediation of God's purpose to our times. Only in the whole Gospel covering us in our sin with the whole mercy of God can we be saved, he said. We see about us a renaissance of preaching recognizing the preached word to be the real offensive weapon of the Church. The Church is not a "fellowship of kindred minds" but a fellowship of dissimilar and often hostile minds in which differences are transcended by the love of God made known in Jesus Christ.

Mr. Gunn presiding, the Rev. Carl Martenson, acting for Dr. Roger Eddy Treat, presented the report of the Board of Trustees. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted and placed on file. (See Exhibit IV.)

A resolution that the Conference authorize its delegates as named by units and elected by associations, to the pending General Council at Grinnell, Iowa, was offered. It was seconded and carried.

The Rev. A. A. Nelson presented the report of the Committee on Evangelism. Following discussion of the report from the floor it was

moved and seconded and carried that the report be accepted. (See Exhibit VIII.)

Mr. Speer presiding, the Rev. Mr. Badder presented a report on the Unit Plan. Last year marked the first year in four in which the Conference met its 72 unit quota and the Conference is now 60 units behind in the ten-year program in the denomination-wide effort to meet its obligations to members of the old annuity plan. A unit consists of a sum of one hundred dollars. Ministers were urged to place this plea before their churches. It was moved, supported and carried that the report be accepted and placed on record.

The Moderator introduced Dr. Malcolm B. Dana, President of Olivet College, who spoke on "Today at Olivet College." "The major problem in making Olivet an accredited college is endowment," he stated. Michigan Congregational churches could solve the endowment problem by underwriting the school in the amount of \$15,000 a year. Total gifts from the churches in the year closing amounted to about \$2,800. In the next year the college could balance its budget with the aid of \$7,500 from the churches. Its immediate financial problem is to meet a deficit of \$20,000 before June 30, 1946.

Following Dr. Dana's report Dr. Skidmore appealed to the Conference in addition to writing the college into their budgets to assist it in meeting its deficit, and announced that the Board of Trustees had authorized the gift of \$1,000 from Conference funds to the college toward the deficit.

Dr. Skidmore introduced Dr. Henry Smith Leiper, Executive Secretary of the American Committee for the World Council of Churches, who made a stimulating address on "Europe's Misery and Hope." Surveying the outlook abroad and asserting that no one can feel unqualifiedly optimistic, he underscored heartening trends in the upsurge of interest in church leadership in England, interest in reconstruction in Holland, the rehabilitation and revitalization of the churches in France, the revival of interest abroad in the racial application of Christianity, and the movement within the German churches to seek reconciliation with churches in the victor nations. Ninety-three denominations are now affiliated with the World Council of Churches. He cited further the great demand for Bibles in Europe now and the emergence throughout Christendom of a new theology rediscovering the Christian faith as victor over death and the grave.

The morning session closed following prayer by the Rev. Victor Brown.

LUNCHEON SESSION—THURSDAY

At the laymen's and ministers' luncheon in the Methodist Church Dr. Skidmore presented Mr. Ward Wheeler, President of the Michigan Laymen's Fellowship. Present officers of the Fellowship were nominated and re-elected for the ensuing year. The Rev. George Drew presented the Rev. Thomas Keehn, Legislative Secretary for the Council for Social Action, who spoke on "Storm Clouds in Washington." Discussion of his talk followed. Dr. Shepherd made announcement of the opportunity for two ministers to participate in a six-week industrial seminar in Detroit, and invited men interested to get in touch with him. Dr. Charles M. Houser spoke on the present state of the proposed merger with the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The business session of the Conference convened at 3:30 p.m.

The Rev. Don DeCoursey presented the report of the Chicago Seminary Visitor. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted and placed on file. (See Exhibit X.)

The Rev. Robert Barksdale presented the report of the Resolutions Committee. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted and placed on file. (See Exhibit IX.)

The Rev. Robert M. Bartlett read a letter of the Rev. Leonard Parr expressing the invitation of the church at Ann Arbor to the One Hundred Fifth Annual Meeting of the Conference. It was moved, seconded and carried that the gracious invitation be accepted for the 1947 meeting.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Scribe complete the minutes and the Conference be closed sine die with adjournment of the evening session.

Dr. Skidmore offered prayer for the nation in the gathering crisis of the coal and railway strikes. The Rev. Mr. Drew introduced the Rev. Thomas Keehn who spoke on "Social Action Where It Works." The session adjourned after prayer by the Moderator.

BANQUET SESSION

Dr. Keith presided at the Banquet Session in the Presbyterian Church. Following introductions and two solos by a member of the Kalamazoo Church choir, Dr. Leiper made the closing address of the Conference speaking on the subject "Your Answer to Our Lord's Prayer" stressing the forces creating world community and assisting the realization of Jesus' prayer for the unity of God's people. Dr. Skidmore pronounced the benediction.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES B. HASTIE, Scribe.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Board of Trustees

Cheboygan Association—Dr. L. M. Isaacs, for three years.
Grand Traverse Association—Rev. Philip Dutton, for three years.
Lake Superior Association—To be filled.
Member-at-Large—Dr. S. N. Oliver, for three years.
Member-at-Large—Mr. Stanley F. Dole, for three years.
Member-at-Large—Mrs. E. A. Schaap, for three years.
Member-at-Large—Dr. St. Clare Parsons, for three years.
Member-at-Large—Mrs. Keith Elliot, for three years.
Gladstone Association—Rev. Serge F. Hummon, for one year.
Moderator—Rev. Ray T. Caldwell.
Assistant Moderator—Mr. Ray Johnston.

Midwest Regional Committee

Miss Frances Dunnette, for two years; Dr. Percy Graham, for three years.

Business Committee

Dr. Howard R. Towne, Rev. A. M. Meikle, Rev. Russell McConnell, for two years; Miss Frances Dunnette, for one year.

Nominating Committee

Mrs. T. W. Nadal, Rev. Robert Burt, for two years.

Board of Christian Education

Rev. Frank T. Jensen, Rev. Serge F. Hummon, Dr. John B. Bennett, Miss Winona G. Arrick, for three years; Rev. James C. Mead, for two years; Rev. E. E. Hoats, Rev. James S. Caskey, Rev. R. R. Denison, for one year.

Board of Directors, Michigan Council of Churches

Rev. Paul H. Clark, Mrs. E. L. Martin, for two years.

Committee on Examination and Course of Study

Dr. Howard Blanning, Dr. L. A. Parr, Rev. Gordon Speer, Dr. Howard R. Towne, for one year.

Committee on Home Missions

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees.

Committee on Ministerial Relief

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees.

Committee on Resolutions

Rev. John Gehring, Rev. Roger Gough, Rev. H. Butler Fairman, for one year.

Committee on Social Relations

Rev. George E. Drew, Chairman; Rev. Charles W. Scheid, Rev. George W. Shepherd, Rev. Thomas S. Vernon, Rev. James C. Mead, Rev. Gordon Speer, for one year.

Committee on Evangelism and Devotional Life

Rev. A. A. Nelson, Chairman; Dr. Malcolm B. Dana, Rev. John Rose, Rev. Halley B. Oliver, Rev. Robert Barksdale, Rev. Norman Woon, for one year.

Bureau of Pastoral Supply

Rev. Clarence Oberlin, for three years.

Board of Trustees of Peoples Church, East Lansing

Dr. Harold N. Skidmore, Superintendent.

Board of Trustees of Christian Student Foundation

Rev. Ward K. Klopp, Durand, for one year.

Seminary Visitor

Rev. Robert Kemper, for one year.

**Michigan Representative Confirmed to Prudential Committee
A.B.C.F.M.**

Dr. Roger Eddy Treat, for four years.

DR. S. N. OLIVER,
REV. NORMAN WOON,
REV. E. RICHARD EVANS,
Committee.

MICHIGAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY**Articles of Association**

ARTICLE I

The name assumed by this corporation, and by which it shall be known in law, is the Michigan Home Missionary Society.

ARTICLE II

The object of this society shall be to promote the organization of Congregational churches in Michigan, to aid churches in the support of their local ministry and work, to cooperate with the national Congregational Home Missionary Society in the cause of missions in other states and territories, and to diffuse Christian knowledge within this state by missionaries, publication and such other means, agencies and instrumentalities as may be necessary therefor.

ARTICLE III

The annual meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of other business shall be held on the Thursday next after the third Tuesday of May in each year, at the hour of nine o'clock a. m., at the place where the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be held. If any exigency arise which necessitates a change in the time of the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference the date of the annual meeting of this society may, by vote of the officers, upon due notice, be changed to correspond with that of the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference.

ARTICLE IV

The trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be *ex-officio* the trustees of the said society and shall have in relation to the business, funds and all other interests of said society the same powers, rights and duties, which are given them as trustees of said Michigan Congregational Conference.

The annual meeting of the trustees shall be held at the time of, or immediately after the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference, and eleven members of the board shall constitute a quorum.

Said board shall receive, hold, control, invest, reinvest and expend all moneys or property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the Michigan Home Missionary Society and shall apply the same, or the proceeds thereof, to the work of said society or to such branch thereof as may be designated in the will or bequest of the donors: *Provided*, however, That the society may make such application through the agency of the board of trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference and its agencies, if in their judgment it shall seem desirable so to do. Said board of trustees or the executive committee thereof may be made the agents of the board of trustees of the Michigan Home Missionary Society for the purpose of making such application, with such powers in relation thereto as may be granted by the board of trustees of said society.

ARTICLE V

The membership of this society shall consist of the members of the Michigan Congregational Conference, and of life members, to be elected or appointed in such manner as this society may hereafter provide, and also of nine delegates from the Woman's Home Missionary Union, to be elected annually by that body.

ARTICLE VI

Twenty-five members of the society present at any meeting legally assembled shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business.

ARTICLE VII

Said corporation may hold real and personal property not to exceed in value the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, to be devoted exclusively to the prosecution in the State of Michigan of Christian work as indicated in Article II of the constitution, by missionaries, publications and such other means, agencies, and instrumentalities as may be necessary therefor.

Said Michigan Home Missionary Society shall have power to receive and execute trusts for the general purposes of said society, and may receive, hold, invest, reinvest and expend all money and other property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the said Michigan Home Missionary Society, and shall execute said trusts for the general purposes of the said corporation within the meaning of the acts under which the same is incorporated in accordance with the terms and conditions of said trusts.

ARTICLE VIII

The term of existence of this corporation is fixed at thirty years from the date thereof.

Done at Olivet, Michigan, June 13, 1895.

Amended at Lansing, Michigan, May 21, 1908.

Constitution and By-Laws

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ARTICLE II

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The membership of this society shall consist of the members of the Michigan Congregational Conference and of life members, and also nine delegates from the Women's Home Missionary Union, to be elected annually by that body.

Any member of any Congregational church in this state may become a life member of this society upon the payment to the society in his behalf of the sum of thirty dollars, and an election to such membership by a majority vote of the members present and voting at any meeting of this society; it being provided that in connection with the gifts of churches, life membership is to be conferred only upon such persons as have been elected to this honor by the contributing churches; such election to be properly certified to the treasurer of this society.

Any member of any Congregational church in this state shall be eligible to election to any office in this society.

ARTICLE IV

The officers of this society shall be a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. They shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the society and shall hold their offices for one year and until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

Said officers shall furnish the board of trustees with any information required by them on all matters relating to their respective departments, and shall perform all other duties usually pertaining to these offices.

ARTICLE V

The annual meeting of this society shall be held on the Thursday next after the third Tuesday of May in each year, at the place where the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be held.

Special meetings may be called whenever, in the unanimous opinion of the president, vice president, secretary and treasurer, the interests of the society so demand.

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Twenty-five members of the society, present at any meeting legally assembled, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VII

The trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be *ex-officio* the trustees of this society. Their powers and duties shall be the same with reference to this society, the conduct of its affairs and the administration of its property and interests as defined for the trustees of the said Congregational Conference in the constitution and by-laws thereof.

ARTICLE VIII

The society may, from time to time, adopt such rules as may be necessary for the dispatch of business.

ARTICLE IX

The constitution and by-laws may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the society by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the intended change or amendment shall have been proposed in substance at the previous meeting.

BY-LAWS

The fiscal year of this society shall close at the same time as the fiscal year of the Michigan Congregational Conference.

MINUTES OF THE MICHIGAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Fifty-second Annual Meeting of the Michigan Home Missionary Society was called to order by its president, the Rev. Clark Adams of Atlanta, May 22, 1946, at 10:50 a.m. Motion was made that the Scribe of the Conference be Scribe of the Society. Motion carried. It was voted that the Nominating Committee of the Conference be chosen Nominating Committee for the Missionary Society. The motion carried. Nominations were presented. It was voted that the Scribe cast a unanimous ballot for the nominees.

President—Rev. Clark G. Adams, Atlanta
Vice-President—Rev. C. Floyd Wright, New Troy
Secretary—Superintendent of the Conference
Treasurer—Treasurer of the Conference
Scribe—Scribe of the Conference

The following resolution was introduced by the Rev. E. E. Hoats and upon his motion adopted by a unanimous vote:

"Be it Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational-Christian Conference and/or its Executive Committee, are hereby appointed the agents of the Michigan Home Missionary Society for the purpose of applying the funds of this Society to the purpose designated by the donors thereof and/or to any other work of the Society, as, in their judgment and direction may be for the best interest of the work; and further

"That the Superintendent of the said Michigan Congregational Conference be given power of attorney, with authority to act for this Society in all necessary business and legal transactions."

Upon motion of Mr. Hoats the Annual Meeting of the Michigan Home Missionary Society was adjourned.

CLARK G. ADAMS, President.
CHARLES B. HASTIE, Scribe.

(EXHIBIT I)

**REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
AND REGISTRAR**

With this report your Superintendent completes five years of work in the State Office. The temptation will be to lengthen the report by some long range comparisons. Remembering that comparisons are likely to be "odious" we shall control the urge. Furthermore, this report must not only reflect the work of the year, but also give some view of future planning. We began as usual with a statistical report as compiled from Year Book reports as sent us by church clerks.

MINISTERIAL RECORD**Entering the Fellowship**

Donald S. Bourne, Chaplain to Associate, Benton Harbor
Charles Hastie, Chaplain to Associate, Saginaw
Russell McConnell, Chaplain on leave of absence, returned to Charlotte
Wm. P. D. Powe, Chaplain to Bronson
C. Elliott Gardner, Chewelah, Washington, to Bangor
Hal Oliver, Oberlin Seminary to Belding
Gerald Hallauer, Oberlin Seminary to Britton
Kenneth Griswold, Oberlin Seminary to Dundee
Oliver S. Page, Westminster Seminary, to Roscommon-Luzerne
A. C. Schue, Tekonsha to Breckenridge
P. S. Levonian, Los Angeles, California, to Detroit Armenian
James C. Mead, Friends Service Committee to Jackson First
M. R. Fenner, Butte Mountain to Calumet.

From other denominations:

Harry Kellogg, Baptist, to Clinton
Thomas Toy, Baptist, to Hudson
E. J. Millington, Baptist, to Reed City and Hersey
Thornley Eddy, United Brethren, to Dearborn First
H. B. Storey, United Church of Canada, to Cheboygan
A. J. Arendt, Lutheran, to Lawrence
Garth Smith, Methodist, to supply Big Prairie
Lowell J. McCarty, to Perry
Glenn I. McCarty, Licentiate, to Saranac

Loss by Death

Rex O. Holman

Charles E. Taggart

Loss by Removal

Hubert N. Dukes, Jackson, to Grand Forks, North Dakota
Harold Janes, Grand Rapids, to Omaha, Nebraska
Russell E. Myers, Lansing Mayflower, to Minneapolis, Minnesota
Gerald A. Smith, Delta Parish, to business

Harold Scott, Flint, to Miami, Florida
 Glenn Utterback, Calumet, to Fort Worth, Texas
 Paul F. Voelker, Saranac, to Centerville (Presbyterian)
 George E. Gullen, Dearborn, to business
 James M. Turner, Grand Blanc, retired
 Ernest C. Goetz, Breckenridge, to business
 Leland E. Sumner, Grand Rapids, to Red Cross Service
 Francis E. Mahaffy, Roscommon, to Foreign Field
 Milton G. Wheelock, Buckley, retired
 W. O. Miller, Mattawan
 Merrit D. Fruer, Perry
 Harry Malson, Prattville
 Charles H. Evans, Vermontville

Ordinations

Gerald Hallauer, Britton, Jackson Association
 Serge Hummon, Delta Larger Parish, Jackson Association
 Lawrence O. Johnson, Coloma, Kalamazoo Association
 Halley B. Oliver, Belding, by Council
 Oliver S. Page, Roscommon, Cheboygan Association
 Arthur Swann, Grand Rapids Association

Summary

Congregational pastors serving Michigan churches	132
Members other denominations serving Michigan churches.....	34
Total	166
Ministerial members, not pastors	72

Church Record

Yoked fields (including 72 churches)	36
Churches without pastors as of May 15	9

Membership

Accessions for the year 1945	4,456
Losses	2,858
Net gain	1,598
Total membership January 1, 1946	55,251
Average attendance (127 churches reporting)	122

Church Schools

Membership January 1, 1946 (gain 547 during year)	25,186
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Financial Record

Home Expenses (206 churches reporting)	\$1,127,291
Apportionment giving (207 churches reporting)	111,754
(which includes \$13,562 unbudgeted gifts)	
Other gifts (187 churches reporting)	75,323
Average salary (162 churches reporting) (gain \$121 over 1944) ..	2,529

Legacies

Alamo	\$ 10	Greenville	\$ 1,500
Ann Arbor	2,414	Hudson	1,000
Battle Creek	100	Jackson First	500
Bronson	5,000	Kalamazoo	500
Charlevoix	900	Lake Odessa	300
Covert	1,000	Litchfield	380
Detroit First	6,924	Ludington	5,511
East Lansing	1,000	Newaygo	952
Fremont	2,400	Owosso	200
Grand Rapids Burlingame.	2,500		
			\$33,091

THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES

By the above statistics it is seen that twenty-two men have entered our fellowship since last Conference. Of these four are from outside the State; four are returned Chaplains; eight are from other denominations; four are from Seminaries; three from Oberlin; one from Westminster, and one from a community church. Ministers have been called to forty-three churches in 36 parishes. In the year seven have changed parishes within the State as over against eighteen last year. These are as follows:

Motier C. Bullock, Reed City and Hersey, to Grand Blanc
 Arthur E. Gay, Grass Lake, to Leslie
 Lawrence Horning, Leslie, to Newaygo
 Serge F. Hummon, Hudson Larger Parish, to Delta Parish
 Wm. J. Hunter, Kinderhook, to Onondaga
 Robert McCleary, Bronson, to Lansing Mayflower
 Wm. D. Paterson, Lawrence, to Lake Odessa

Our losses from pastorates in the State are again high with seventeen; there were twenty-two in the previous year. Of these, eight have gone to other pastorates; four to business; four have retired, and one to the foreign field.

Last year at this time we had thirteen vacant parishes while this year we have nine, as follows:

Charlevoix	Kinderhook
Clare	Mattawan
Flint (supplied)	Somerset-Wheatland
Grand Rapids Wallin	(supplied)
Grandville (supplied)	Vermontville (supplied)

Membership

Michigan Congregationalism shows steady growth in Church Membership. However, the growth might still be called indifferent. Aggregate gains for 1945 were 4,456 or 471 more than in 1944, for a plus of a little more than 8 per cent. Of these 2,541 came on confession, and 1,915 came by letter. Meantime the losses reported are as follows: 665 by death, 835 by letter, and 1,358 by roll revision, a total of 2,858, for a net gain of but 1,598 (107 more than 1944), to bring the total membership as of January 1, 1946, to 55,251. On January 1, 1941, our membership registered 47,781 which shows a five-year net gain of 7,470. This is really not enough.

Giving

There are gains to be reported in giving, both to the local church work and to missions. Again we can report that we are more comfortable financially than in some other years. However, we have not yet recovered to the high levels of predepression years. Of course, the real measure of the success of our giving should be in terms of our meeting the challenge of today's world to the church in line with our present ability to do so.

Home Expenses as reported by 206 churches, reached \$1,127,291 or \$201,927 more than in 1944. This gain accounts for the fact that many churches are reporting reserves in current accounts. This is per capita giving for the home church of \$21.00 as against \$17.24 for 1944. While in many churches these gains have been reflected in increased salaries to the ministers, it is appalling and disturbing to the Superintendent to find so many cases where this is not so. It does not seem right or fair that many churches will not substantially increase salary for the minister they have who has served them well, often for years, and then will make increases for another minister when forced to make change.

Benevolences also show increase. In the face of our needy world it is right that Michigan Congregationalists should realize that the very best Christian opportunity offered to them is through the channels of the missions of their church. Total apportionment giving has amounted to \$187,077 for Budgeted, Unbudgeted and Other Gifts. The increase over last year for **all missions** is \$22,301. In other words per capita giving for all missions for 1944 was \$3.01 and for 1945 it was \$3.67.

Broken down the report shows that of this total there has been received \$98,192 for Budgeted Benevolences, the foundation work of all our Missions in State Work, Home Boards and the American Board.

For Unbudgeted Benevolences the total was \$13,562, with \$7,683 for the Unit Plan and \$5,560 for Ministerial Relief from this amount.

Finally, there is a large increase in the Other Gifts column. The amount was \$75,323 as against \$68,077 in 1944. Of this the biggest single item was \$31,149 for War Services and Rehabilitation which in 1944 was \$18,695. Again, I point out that many churches insist on mistaking the meaning of the "Other Gifts" column, and including in it more than the legitimate "other gifts" to denominational enterprises which it is intended to record. When this is done it counts under "missions" some things which do not rightly belong under that head.

The process of enlisting churches in the total missionary project of the denomination is again called to your attention. In Michigan we do not send out apportionment quotas. Each year an appeal is made to every church to set its own Missionary goals and report these to the Conference. The plan works well. Churches do set their goals and have voluntarily been gradually increasing the giving. However, only about half our churches report to us. We could be very much helped if all our churches would respond to this one simple request.

The Developing Program

Field Work. Because the Superintendent places the relationship to the local church in direct services, and the services as pastor to the ministers as central or of first importance in his task, we speak first of

the field work. The briefest survey shows this year to have been extremely strenuous in terms of actual contacts and mileages traveled. The Superintendent has preached 45 sermons, has made 66 addresses, and has held 41 meetings in local churches in conference with Boards and Committees. Visits have been made in all Association meetings, some in both fall and spring sessions. The Superintendent has taught in the Adult Institute. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of Olivet College, the Board of Peoples Church, and the Executive Board of the Michigan Council of Churches. For the denomination the Superintendent is a member of the Joint Cabinet of the Missions Council and the Stewardship Commission of General Council. We have represented the State in the Midwest Regional Meeting and in the midwinter meeting of the denomination. The Superintendent has conducted many Schools for Churchmanship, and a one-week preaching mission.

Meantime the regular routines in the office, including many interviews with individuals and committees from the churches, meetings of Boards and Committees of the Conference, and the regular corporate business of the Conference have been carried on. Great credit is due to Mrs. Stokes and Miss Lohr for the precision and dispatch of the work of the office and for the promptness of our thousands of mailings.

Christian Education. The Minister of Education will make his own report as to the details of this program. The word that I would say is to call attention to trends. A great deal of direct service to our churches is rendered by this department. It is primarily a missionary service section of our work. The Christian Education Council is to be expanded, a closer tie with Association committees is already set up so that the basic Christian Education programs will more quickly be available to the local church. New stresses will be made, such as added emphasis on religion in the Christian home. For the first time in five years Church School enrollment shows increase. The trends have been discouraging. Let's observe the record for the past twenty-five years.

Church School enrollments:

1920	37,736	1940	30,981
1925	40,955	1945	24,639
1930	35,475	1946	25,186
1935	34,294		

There is time here to say only that the Christian Education department of the Conference is aware of and at work upon the problem. Mr. Evans is constantly in the field.

A tremendous amount of work is being done also on the Summer Conference program. More Conferences and better Conferences leading into a more effective Pilgrim Fellowship program in the local church is the aim. At this time we pause to thank the great number of ministers and laymen who give so much to this phase of Conference work.

Women's Fellowship. A fine program in this department has been produced by President Frances Dunnette with her excellent Board of department heads and Association representatives. I cannot report the detail of this work for it is done by Miss Dunnette herself. It should be remembered that the President of the Women's Fellowship is not a paid member of our staff and that she gives great blocks of time to attend Association meetings and to visit local churches. Fine advances

have been made in the department in the balanced program of "the seven dwarfs" which are growing to be giants, and in the coordinations of the total of the woman's work. In every church where the denominational program is used by the women in cooperation with the State Fellowship, fine advances in missionary education and missionary giving have been made. The Friendly Service department also continues strong. A word should also be added about the splendid representation Miss Dunnette has given Michigan women on our National Boards.

Ministers' Retreat. The most successful Retreat was held at Olivet in February. Our leader was Dr. Allen Hunter of Los Angeles. About eighty of our ministers were present. The planning was in the hands of the Committee on Evangelism under the leadership of Rev. A. A. Nelson in cooperation with President Dana.

Association Meetings. These meetings are important. Ordinations, ministerial standing, successful liaison between the Conference and the local church and many other important details are in Association hands. As we have so often said, we appreciate the courtesy and take seriously the obligation of the visit of the "State team" to the Fall Meetings. These meetings should never be casual or indifferent and should be faithfully attended and seriously regarded by members of every church. Your Superintendent also urges that when an Ordination Council is called every minister be present and every church represented.

Conference News. The magazine has been published in ten issues. It has really "caught on." It is being used more and more by our churches as source material for missionary education. It should be obvious that at the price charged the magazine has to be subsidized by the Conference and the Missions Council. With rising costs of paper and labor, more and more subsidizing will be necessary. The thought has been that since it is conceived as a promotional booklet this could be done. There are some, however, who feel that the magazine can easily be made to be self-sustaining. It should be enlarged and improved and then an adequate subscription price charged. Your Superintendent is one who takes this view. Perhaps the coming General Council will deal with this matter. Whatever is done will be carefully explained to the entire body and we feel that whatever necessary changes may be made that Michigan Congregationalists will be loyal to Conference News.

"The Union." The present state of the merger between the Congregational Christian and the Evangelical and Reformed denominations is one of continuing acquaintance. A year ago it was expected that we should be ready for some decisive voting at the coming Grinnell meeting. It is now understood that we are not prepared for that and that a longer period of education is necessary. We continue to urge careful attention to this matter by every church and every minister. It is now proposed that a more detailed "basis of union" shall be prepared so as to give the membership of our churches a more complete knowledge of what is proposed. We should all follow it carefully.

Planning and Survey Committee. During the year the Board of Trustees has authorized and established a new and most promising Committee called "Planning and Survey." It was created by the need for expanded leadership for the postwar program and has already proved its worth. It will be a continuing group and it will carefully study all processes of the Conference program. It is an advisory and not a legis-

lative body. From time to time it will make recommendations to the Board as needs are seen. Whatever suggestions for changes or for new programs that are made, these will be brought into effect by the regular and established processes of Conference government. This Committee has twenty members.

The Postwar Emergency Program. Like most great denominations, our churches are now in the midst of a great social action effort in our three-year program 1946-1947-1948 called the Postwar Emergency program. Its aim is the raising of a great \$4,500,000 fund divided between a program of Substantial and Courageous Increase to all our regular and ongoing missionary work, state, home and abroad, and the Committee for War Services and Rehabilitation. It is now hoped, since the end of the war has more clearly revealed the dire needs, that at least an additional \$1,000,000 will be added for C.W.V.R.

Simply stated the program called for a **one-third increase on regular benevolences or apportionment** for each of the three years. It calls also for a doubling of the total Michigan amount to C.W.V.R. for those years.

The processes of the program under the direction of the Planning and Survey Committee have been as follows:

1. Dr. Stauffacher's presentation at the 1945 Conference in Lansing.
2. Presentation of the program in each Association by the Superintendent and a National representative.
3. Attempt to get the Postwar Plan Brochure into the hands of members of every church.
4. Letters to every pastor from the State Office.
5. Letters to every pastor and to Area chairmen from Rev. Robert Burt, Chairman of the State C.W.V.R. Committee.
6. Continuous reports and articles in Conference News.
7. State Conference summarizing pamphlet enlisting every church and asking that every church state its goals.
8. Numerous presentations in local churches by the Superintendent.

The results indicated are most encouraging though only about half our churches have actually reported their intended goals. These reports show seventeen pledging the same; twenty pledging increase; and sixty pledging full third increase or more to S.C.I. It also shows every church reporting promising some gift to C.W.V.R. We believe that as our churches see more clearly the world's needs and as they realize that the best and most efficient way to meet these needs is through the missions of the church, that Michigan will more than meet its quota to the Postwar Emergency Fund.

You are reminded that all money given in this fund for S.C.I. will be divided according to regular percentages of regular budgeted benevolences; 40 per cent to State Work and 60 per cent to Home and Foreign Boards. All this is to be used for Postwar Emergency needs as stated in the brochure. The money given to C.W.V.R. goes directly through for non-recurring, war-caused needs all over the world and will be credited to each church in the "Other Gifts" column of the yearbook.

The Planning and Survey Committee is already studying State needs where this increase will give us power for expanded work. It will give us greater effectiveness in the following proposed areas:

1. Enlarged work in our strictly Missionary parishes, particularly in providing leadership a more than mere subsistence level.
2. Extension of work in Missionary areas first in unchurched areas and second in "high potential" areas in cities providing new opportunities for new churches.
3. Greatly increased work for students in schools and colleges; particularly where returned veterans are students.
4. Provide a totally different equipment and location facilities for the rapidly expanding summer conferences.
5. Provide care for aged ministers otherwise completely unprovided for by denominational plans.
6. Provide new and needed direct services to local churches by State Conference staff.

These are but the beginning of a sounder and more extended and effective outreach of our churches. The Home Board and American Board objectives are completely reported in the brochure.

The Unit Plan. Just a word here. This is the plan by which nationally we must raise twelve hundred \$100-units a year to fulfill obligation to retired minister members of the Original Annuity Plan. Michigan's share is seventy-two units a year. Last year we provided seventy-six, for the first time meeting our quota. We are sixty units behind in the first four years of the ten-year plan. We ought to begin to catch up by getting one hundred units this year.

Summary

Michigan Congregationalism is a healthy, going concern. Our churches are strong and influential, growing in size and in ability to serve in the communities in which they are located. The spirit of our churches is a good spirit in that we constantly examine ourselves against the standard of the Christian ethic and against the standard of the gospel of Christ.

Our churches in Michigan are a dynamic and generating center for the spirit of true liberalism and it is a happy fact that this is not only true theologically but socially as well. There is no movement for human welfare in any community where Congregationalists are not liberally represented in the leadership. Christian social action is not frowned upon nor evaded and it is being made operative in the immediate situations beginning in the stress of Christian home life and extending through every social force to the ends of the earth through the Christian mission of the church universal.

Great stress is at present being laid on building maintenance and repair and a great many of our churches have provided funds for this as well as for new buildings in the immediate future.

The ministers of our State are a fine, strong and well-trained corps of Christian men, earnestly seeking to uphold the finest traditions of devotion and service of the profession. Ours is a great fellowship. The

State staff is constantly appreciative of the sincere cooperations of churches and ministers which is making for sound confidence in, as well as effective administration of, all the programs of the fellowship.

The world in which we live is a tired, discouraged, disillusioned and disappointed world. There is confusion and doubt everywhere. The aftermath and the reactions from the war are upon us. It will take great faith in God and steady practice of the gospel of Christ to give our world leading and hope for the future. These are the stock-in-trade of the church. Ours is a great day and we shall meet the challenge certainly "In His name and for their sake."

HAROLD N. SKIDMORE.

(EXHIBIT II)
**REPORT OF TREASURER FOR YEAR ENDING
 JANUARY 11, 1946**

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 11, 1945		\$ 11,097.29
From Churches	\$ 32,207.45	
From All Other Sources, including Interest on Investments, Per Capita Maintenance and Re- funds	8,393.48	40,600.93
Transmission Accounts:		
For Home Boards	\$ 24,093.77	
For Foreign Board	22,290.90	
For Ministerial Relief	2,098.30	
For Unit Plan	4,418.36	
For General Council (Per Capita Maintenance)	4,172.61	
For Miscellaneous, including War Services ..	9,505.12	66,579.06
Other Accounts:		
From Matured Securities for Reinvestment..	\$ 12,229.44	
From Wm. Dick Estate	9,800.00	
From Interest Investments and Refunds, Women's Department	861.66	
From Pilgrim Fellowship	962.06	
From Extension Fund—Repayment Loans	113.03	
From Glasson Fund—Repayment Loan	100.00	24,066.19
		<u>\$142,343.47</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

State Work:		
Grants to Home Missionary Pastors	\$ 6,346.27	
Detroit Association of Churches	2,448.16	
State Share to Debt of Honor	467.71	
Annuities	349.10	\$ 9,611.24
Salaries:		
Superintendent	\$ 5,000.00	
Director Christian Education	2,800.00	
Secretary and Assistant Treasurer	2,000.00	
Office Secretary	1,800.00	
Other	49.50	11,649.50

Travel:

Staff	\$ 773.07	
Missionary Itineraries	533.72	
State Meeting	88.06	
Boards and Committees	566.47	\$ 1,961.32

General Administration:

Maintenance and Amortization:

Office Building	\$ 1,200.00
Residence Superintendent	900.00
Residence Director Christian Education ...	700.00

Printing:

Conference News	\$ 893.81	
Conference Minutes	347.50	
Pilgrim Fellowship Guide Book ..	121.92	
General	424.35	1,787.58
Postage	421.84	
Telephone and Telegrams	258.50	
Literature and Supplies	564.34	
Insurance, Bonds and Taxes	96.11	
Miscellaneous	50.57	
Social Action	32.40	6,011.34

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For General Council (Per Capita Maintenance)	4,172.61	
For Miscellaneous, including War Services ..	9,477.62	66,551.56

Other Accounts:

Women's Missionary Society	\$ 833.34	
Pilgrim Fellowship	1,084.14	
Investments	22,017.23	23,934.71

	\$119,719.67
Cash on hand January 11, 1946	22,623.80
	\$142,343.47

Audited and approved April 23, 1946.

T. ROGERS LYONS.

(EXHIBIT III)

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

I am pleased to submit a report of activities of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference Finance Committee for the year 1945. There have been investments approximating \$10,128.81 of available funds belonging to the Conference, realized through moneys received from the sale and calling of securities and other sources. An additional \$1,800 was received on the legacy given under the will of Dr. William Dick, making a total of \$9,800 received from that source during the past two years.

The properties belonging to the various funds of the Conference are set forth herein. The values set opposite the various items of property are the par values of the same, with the exception of the securities purchased since the report of May, 1943, on which I am showing the purchase prices.

The following properties now held for the State Work Fund of the Conference were purchased prior to May, 1945:

East Lansing Building and Loan Stock	\$ 2,000.00	
Capitol Savings and Loan Stock	1,680.00	
Lansing Savings and Loan Stock	1,000.00	
Telephone Bond and Share Bonds	2,000.00	
Washington Square Development Co. Bonds	5,000.00	
United Light and Railway Bonds	5,000.00	
Dominion of Canada Government Bonds	3,000.00	
Standard Chevrolet Sales Company Bond	400.00	
U. S. of A. Savings Defense Bond, Series G.....	2,000.00	
Standard Oil of New Jersey Stock—122 Shares...	5,000.00	
Consolidated Natural Gas Co. Stock—12 Shares..	888.00	
Cincinnati Gas & Electric 5% Preferred Stock—30 Shares	2,955.00	
United Light & Railway 6% Preferred Stock—50 Shares	5,042.50	
Northern Indiana Public Service 3½% Bonds....	3,109.13	
Central Power & Light Association 3½% Bonds..	2,996.25	
American Radiator & Standard Sanitary Common Stock—25 Shares	245.75	
Borden Company Common Stock—50 Shares.....	1,475.89	
Chase National Bank Stock—100 Shares.....	3,650.00	
National Biscuit Co. Common Stock—30 Shares..	663.82	
Celanese Corporation—12 Shares	1,239.00	
Bank of Manhattan—100 Shares	2,825.00	
Corn Exchange Bank & Trust Co.—100 Shares..	5,625.00	
National Biscuit Co. Common Stock—50 Shares..	1,254.91	
Conference Residence	10,000.00	
Residence for Director of Christian Education...	7,000.00	\$76,050.25
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Real Estate Mortgages and Contract:		
Office Building	\$ 3,392.16	
Burlingame Parsonage	1,965.12	
Luce Contract—6%	1,878.13	
(Van Core Mortgage of \$2,900 has been paid in full)		7,235.41
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The following property was purchased for the State Work Fund of the Conference since May, 1945:

U. S. of A. Savings Defense Bond, Series G.....	\$ 1,000.00	
Total of Properties Held for State Work Fund.....		\$84,285.66

The following properties now held for the Ministerial Relief Fund were purchased prior to May, 1945:

East Lansing Building and Loan Stock	\$ 1,000.00	
Capitol Savings and Loan Stock	1,250.00	
Standard Oil of New Jersey Stock—30 Shares....	1,250.00	
Consolidated Natural Gas Co. Stock—3 Shares...	222.00	
Standard Accident Insurance Co. Stock—50 Shs..	3,312.50	
Ohio Public Service 7% Preferred Stock—30 Shs..	3,435.00	
Standard Accident Insurance Company Stock— 50 Shares	500.00	10,969.50

Real Estate Mortgages:

Whiting Farm, Clinton County	\$ 1,900.00	
Office Building	1,375.00	3,275.00

The following properties now held for the Ministerial Relief Fund were purchased since May, 1945:

U. S. of A. Savings Defense Bond, Series G	1,000.00
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The following properties now held for the Woman's Home Missionary Society were purchased prior to May, 1945:

Telephone Bond and Share Company Bonds	\$ 3,000.00	
Canadian National Railway Company Bonds	1,000.00	
General Motors Corporation Stock—16 Shares...	160.00	
Peoples Federal Savings Stock—5 Shares.....	250.00	
Celanese Corporation—10 Shares	2,587.50	
(Portland General Electric Company 4¼% Bonds \$3,000 par were called at 102. City of Royal Oak, Michigan, Bonds \$2,000 par were also called.)		6,997.50

The following properties now held for the Woman's Home Missionary Society were purchased since May, 1945:

Portland General Electric Company 3½% Bonds, par \$3,000	\$ 3,072.30	
Monongahela Power Company 4.40 Cumulative Preferred Stock—25 Shares	2,587.50	5,659.80

The following list of common stocks are held jointly by the State Work Fund 37%, Ministerial Relief Fund 33%, and Woman's Home Missionary Society 30%:

		Market Value as of May, 1945
American Radiator Stock—25 Shares	\$	375.00
Consolidated Edison Company—20 Shares		600.00
General Electric Company—15 Shares		637.50
General Motors Corporation—17 Shares		1,173.00
Kennecott Copper Corporation—10 Shares		375.00
National Biscuit Company—20 Shares		515.00
Texas Corporation Stock—20 Shares	1,070.00	\$ 4,745.50

The following list of securities are owned jointly by the State Work Fund 77%, Ministerial Relief Fund 6%, and Woman's Home Missionary Society 17%:

Pacific Gas & Electric 3% First Mortgage Bonds	
—par \$2,000	\$ 2,023.50
Home Insurance Company Stock—100 Shares	2,775.00
Detroit Edison Company Stock—100 Shares	1,903.50
Wheeling Steel 3¼% Bonds, par \$3,000	3,090.00
(Consumers Power Company 5% Preferred Stock	
—23 Shares called at 105.)	9,792.00

The following properties now held by the last above joint funds was purchased since May, 1945:

Socony-Vacuum Oil Company, Inc.—150 Shares	2,469.01
Grand Total of Properties	\$129,193.97

Cash on hand belonging to the various funds of the Conference on January 11, 1946, amounted to \$22,623.80.

From the Woman's Home Missionary Society Fund \$3,000 par value Portland General Electric 4¼% Bonds were called at 102, or \$3,060, and \$2,000 par City of Royal Oak Bonds were called at par, and a Certificate of Indebtedness of that City was paid at \$352.50. From the last above-mentioned joint funds 23 shares of Consumers Power Company 5% Stock was called at 105, or \$2,415.

The office building has been depreciated from \$3,737.77 to \$3,392.16 and the investment in the Burlingame Parsonage has been reduced from \$2,086.92 to \$1,965.12.

In a general review of the investment account of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference, in the amount of approximately \$110,000 market value, the Committee finds that the investment ratio of bonds, preferred stocks, and common stocks are approximately 30%, 20%, and 50%, respectively.

The bond return is slightly better than 3%. The preferred stock return averages better than 5%. This is because the Conference still has some high dividend rate preferreds which have not been called, although discussions of their call have taken place for some months. The return on the common stocks exceeds 5% on the basis of the cost price, considerably less, naturally, on the basis of present market prices. Our largest single investment is Standard Oil of New Jersey, of which there

are 150 shares purchased in 1939. The bonds and preferred stocks are mostly of companies with long-established, successful records of operation and earnings. The common stocks are investments in companies, some of whose dividend records run back nearly one hundred years without interruption in dividend payment.

It would appear to your Committee that the whole account is of good investment quality. The only recommendation your Committee would make is that, should some of these stocks reach a point in the market where the prices are high in proportion to the historical record of earnings, they be sold and the proceeds placed in bonds for the various funds.

Respectfully submitted,

GUY C. LILLIE,
Chairman of Finance Committee.

Grand Rapids, Michigan.
May 18, 1946.

(EXHIBIT IV)

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE**

**at the Meeting of the Conference held in Kalamazoo,
May 22 and 23, 1946**

Until one has actually become part of the personnel and the machinery necessary to keep our Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference functioning he has no idea how much time, talent and effort is contributed to that end by a surprisingly large number of people. These include those in the local churches who are the life-blood of the Conference, quite as much as those elected officials who are delegated with the responsibility of seeing that the specific work of the Conference is done. There are no fewer than eighty elected officers and committeemen doing the work of the Conference and we all know that this number does not begin to reveal, to say nothing of exhausting the full complement of those who can be said to be doing the work of the Conference, directly and indirectly. Apart from the faithfulness of this larger and devoted group, the work of the twenty-four elected members of the Board of Trustees would be inconsiderable. Apart from the gifts and services of these people in the local, constituent parishes of the Conference, it goes without saying that your Board could do nothing. We pay tribute to the generous contributions from these churches which have lifted the receipts of the Conference treasury by more than 13 per cent over those of the preceding year, for all missions.

You have had a group of faithful Trustees, as well, who during the year just past have held 3 regular meetings with an average attendance of 20. In addition, the Executive Committee of the Board, consisting of seven members authorized to act for the full Board in the interim between its plenary sessions has held 3 meetings in the past twelve-month, at which the average attendance was 7. When you realize that your Trustees are busy people and are drawn from all Associations in the state, these attendance averages are an evidence of the seriousness with which the work of the Conference has been taken by them.

There is not one of us who does not rejoice that the Conference has such an effective, wise and diligent leader in the person of its Superintendent, Dr. Harold N. Skidmore. His tireless devotion to his task, as well as his boundless enthusiasm for the Cause, always results in giving scriptural measure of personal service and often to a degree beyond the point of what is physically and nervously wise. It is always easy to push a willing horse to the point of unwise over-extension. We must not ask too much of our Superintendent, particularly of one who does not find it in his heart to say NO to any reasonable request. Christians are taught to expect to receive when they ask. They ought not always to ask.

The Superintendent would be the first to deny and disclaim responsibility, even in large part, for the success of the work of the Conference during the year past. He has been ably assisted by the Rev. Donald R.

Evans, whose work in connection with the promotion of Christian Education and whose leadership in relation to the summer conferences have proved both constructive and productive of evident results. Mrs. Fay R. Stokes has continued to serve as only she can as Office Secretary and Assistant Treasurer. The multiplicity of details with which she is familiar, and of which she is complete mistress, makes us realize how difficult, if not impossible, it will be to replace her as she has already indicated we soon must. While in the wise economy of things, it is well that no one is indispensable, nevertheless, Mrs. Stokes has come as near being so in relation to the maintenance of complete and accurate records of the Conference's activities as anyone conceivably could. And Miss Katherine Lohr, who came on to our Conference office staff more than two years ago, has further redeemed the promise of rich usefulness which was evident when the Board's report was made to this body a year ago.

In view of the eminently successful manner in which the work of the Conference was advanced by its staff, we recommend that they be continued in office for the ensuing year. We recommend, specifically, that Dr. Harold N. Skidmore be re-elected Superintendent and Minister of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference, that Mr. E. E. Harris be re-elected Treasurer, that Mrs. Fay R. Stokes be re-elected Secretary and Assistant Treasurer, each for a term of one year at the present salary, and that the necessary bonds be given.

Finally, we would recommend to each and every member of the constituent churches of the Conference the continuation of the good work being done towards implementing and extending the work of each local Congregational and Christian Church in Michigan in its outreach beyond its own borders, in the state, nation and world. We have a definite and essential contribution to make towards healing the hurts of the world in this all-important postwar era. Let us be neither remiss nor niggardly in our response to the duty of the opportunity confronting us in that era, both at home and abroad.

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER EDDY TREAT,
Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

(EXHIBIT V)**REPORT OF PRESIDENT WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP
OF THE MICHIGAN CONFERENCE**

The year of 1945 has been a very busy one for your president. I wish that I had time to tell you of all of the things that I have done, interesting mail that has gone across my desk, of the hard things, the interesting outcome of projects that I had a special interest in—but of course there is not time for all. I have wanted to be in all of your churches, but you know that that too is impossible, but I have tried to come to you when you have needed special help in getting our departmental work started in your groups.

It has been interesting to watch some of you unfold and become filled with new enthusiasm as your departments started functioning. Many of you who were most doubtful of being able to do it have completed your organization and now know that it is the simplest way of presenting our program.

The setting up of the Seven Departments has put many people into active service in the church and by giving them one particular thing to do, it has simplified and clarified our work and taken away the confusion that has often arisen when one person has tried to carry the entire load. Many Associations have brought together the chairmen of each of the departments in separate groups or seminars and by working together in these small groups have helped to get these departments working and have brought about a much closer fellowship. You have become acquainted with many other Congregational Christian women.

It has been a year of many new ideas, for through your departments you have learned of many goals and achievements of the denomination of which you knew nothing before. The Association presidents have given me very close cooperation and have done an excellent job of organization in all of our twelve Associations. They have worked diligently to make a success of our state project—Seven Departments in every church group. Of course there are still some who are missing a great deal because they have not worked this out, but I am sure they will soon realize the great benefits that can be theirs if they will endeavor to carry out this plan of our Fellowship.

The chairmen of our state departments have worked out many programs for you, they have answered questions and at all times they have been ready to help you with any and all problems. They are each well qualified for their work and it is to your advantage to make use of them. They will again be at the Adult Institute at Olivet where you can work with them on any individual problems that you may have.

At the February Executive Board meeting it was voted to again send the Program Packets into every church in the state, the price to be \$1.00. It will again include one year's subscription to Guide Posts, a booklet on our work in India, a booklet of programs, monthly Devotions prepared by Mrs. H. N. Skidmore and material for each of the Seven Departments. If you wish more than the one packet send in your order at once.

Of course you know that I made the rounds of the Fall Association meetings with Dr. and Mrs. Skidmore and Paul Reynolds. That, as you

will never know until you make it, is a very tiring, nerve-racking trip, but it has many highlights and you find yourself looking forward to the next year. No two groups of people are alike, believe it or not, but we enjoyed all of you.

What special things have I done this year? The Midwest meeting was held in LaGrange, starting a day earlier than schedule with the state presidents meeting with Mrs. E. E. McClintock, and a meeting of the National Missionary Committee with Ruth Seabury presiding. The program of the Midwest meeting centered around the Postwar Reconstruction Program and the International Group.

On December 12th I flew down to Cleveland to attend a committee composed of five women from the Evangelical and Reformed Church and five women from the Congregational and Christian Church. The aim of the meeting was to setup an outline of Women's Work in the merged church if such a merger takes place. We Congregational women soon found out that they were really "reformed" and they soon came to the conclusion that we were really "Christians" and our work progressed very satisfactorily.

Cleveland was again host for the Midwinter meeting, where we met three days before regular time for preconference meetings. On Saturday the entire staff of Social Action presented their work to the state presidents. Sunday was spent at Schauffler College reviewing the work of the Women's Fellowship, our National President Mrs. Howard Stone Anderson told us some interesting bits about her Friendship trip to England, and Mademoiselle Elizabeth Perdrizet of France closed the day with worship.

Monday was a busy day of planning for the presidents. The study books for the coming year were presented. Our Home study theme for next year is "The Christian and Race" and our World study is "India." In our 1946-47 planning, the theme of our Worship services will be "The Lord Thy God" and the theme of our program will be "And Thy Neighbor." We shall try to discover the deeper meaning of the word Neighbor.

Tuesday the regular Midwinter meeting opened with a Fellowship dinner and was followed by very busy days indeed. So much of interest and information that it is impossible to give it to you in this report. There was much discussion, in true Congregational fashion, on ways and means of raising monies for Postwar and Reconstruction, but they all agreed that these important Postwar needs be met as fully and as quickly as possible. It was brought to us very clearly that it was going to take more money than had been anticipated and that we must not only raise our emergency funds but we must also go the second mile.

Visual Aids met us at every turn, very excellent materials are available to you and if you are not using them, consider it, for you are missing much good material. The meeting of the Board of Home Missions of which I am a member always holds many interesting items.

The Thursday morning meeting opened with a lovely communion service, with music by the girls from Schauffler College.

I left Cleveland that night flying home through snow and wind, tired, but filled with a deep desire to do everything that was possible to help in my small way to promote the splendid program of our Congregational denomination, and filled with joy over the fine fellowship of so many Christians ready to give a helping hand to the needy suffering people in this world of ours.

FRANCES DUNNETTE,
President Women's Fellowship of Michigan.

(EXHIBIT VI)

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Upon the completion of another year's work your Board of Christian Education welcomes the opportunity of reporting to the Conference. However, not only will much of the detail of program and procedure be presented in the report of our Minister of Christian Education, the Rev. Donald Evans, who works throughout the Conference under the direction of the Board, but there will also appear in his report an outline of the general policies and principles that have guided the Board during the past year. Moreover, because this is a continuing and rapidly expanding area of Christian effort, we are certain his report will carry a prophetic note as he projects into the future the current emphases. Consequently, with Board and Director living and laboring in "harmony and felicity," all that is to be presented by our Minister of Christian Education does in the very nature of the case constitute a portion of this report and should so be regarded, which means that if there is not to be unnecessary duplication, there is left to the Board itself by way of report a few brief but to us important paragraphs.

In the first place we desire to commend most highly our Minister of Christian Education for the able and efficient services rendered both within the deliberations of the Board and throughout the State as he has ministered to the needs of local Churches and Associations. It is, of course, physically impossible for one man to answer all the calls that come, but we know that when summoned by you he has said "yes" more frequently than "no," and when the reply has had to be in the negative, has done everything within his power to make such arrangements as would discharge the obligation to the advantage and satisfaction of all concerned. We have been impressed with his leadership, his far vision in this important department of our denominational work, and we commend him most heartily for his devotion and untiring efforts. We are especially pleased with his work in the area of summer conferences and camps, where growth is so rapid and the need so vital that it is extremely difficult to keep pace with current developments. Long before these camps and conferences convene a tremendous amount of time and effort must be expended by way of preparation, which, however, we feel is fully warranted in the light of both interest and accomplishments. This has become for the Board a major project requiring a major portion of the Director's time; which, however, has not blinded Board or Director to other important phases of the work, such as the vastly increased college and university enrollment with its corresponding responsibility to Congregational youth, the returning service men, the young adults in the local parish, Daily Vacation Bible School, the renewed emphasis on Religion in the Home, Missionary Education. It has been an exceedingly busy and creative year with scarcely a dull moment for our Director.

Second, we desire to express appreciation for the splendid cooperation given so freely by so many of our churches and peoples throughout the Conference. It has long been our conviction that a program of Christian

Education should emerge from the "grass roots," the sand dunes, the production lines, the offices, the homes of Michigan, that is, out of the tested experiences, the needs and expressed desires of the Churches of the Conference. The Board of Christian Education is not and must never become in any sense an institution apart from the churches attempting to exercise from Lansing a sort of remote control. Whoever heard of such a thing in Congregational circles! Quite the opposite. The Board is an instrument of Conference and Churches to assist in the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and wherever those tasks are being performed. We therefore aim to maintain vital contact, first, through the members of the Board who come from all sections of the Conference and all types of churches, from city and rural churches, from churches large and small; second, through the field work in local parish and Association of our Minister of Christian Education; and third, through the Associations themselves and mainly with the Association Director or Committee of Religious Education. Unfortunately there continue to be a few churches and ministers that regard the whole religious education enterprise as a sort of spare tire, or perchance a superfluous spoke in an otherwise well-balanced wheel. Consequently any communication from the Board seeking information or desiring to share suggestions and programs is by them disregarded. Others there are who for one reason or another choose to live in "splendid isolation." However, these constitute a small minority. By far the majority of our churches prefer to act upon the conviction that Michigan Congregationalism constitutes a vital sustaining fellowship within which certain well-defined responsibilities and privileges are held in common and willingly shared. We are impressed by the readiness of the major portion of our constituency "to wear the fatigue uniform of service" and are greatly indebted for the splendid cooperation this past year. If in this connection, we give first place to the Women's Association of our Conference, it is not done with prejudice or partiality, but out of a desire to recognize merit where merit has been achieved. A totally new development which we believe holds considerable promise for the future and to which Mr. Evans will have occasion to refer at some length is the Department of Christian Education sponsored by the Board. This is to be comprised of the regularly elected members of the Board, together with the Association Chairmen of Religious Education. There will be regularly stated meetings in which our total program will be reviewed and new work projected. While we thus organize for closer coordination on the Conference level, may we also report to you that at all times it has been our policy to cooperate most fully with the Division of Christian Education of the General Council, a relationship which we have found most fruitful. Moreover, we are maintaining a working liaison with such interdenominational organizations as the Michigan Council of Churches and Christian Education, and the International Council of Religious Education, and would especially commend these to your consideration whenever they seek to function or offer services within your parishes and communities.

Third, in these critical years when secularism with its accompanying materialistic or mechanistic philosophy of life has become so dominant a factor in the educational and cultural interests of the nation, we share in common with many of you a profound concern for the future of Christian Education. We are fully conscious of the limitations under which we labor, as for example and to cite a single factor, the brief Sunday session of the Church School, together with irregularity of

attendance, and we follow with very real interest and enthusiasm all efforts to remedy any and all of these conditions, a number of which have considerable merit, such as week-day religious education, the emphasis on visual aids, adult education through forum and conference. But we urge upon our churches the realization that there are no short cuts, either in personal evangelism or world redemption, that the aptitudes, skills and attitudes essential to such undertakings are not to be acquired in "six easy lessons," and that wherever effective work is actually being done, by whatever means, there is always to be found a consecrated leadership wearing that "fatigue uniform of service." Consequently the major emphasis placed upon the Christian Education Institute at Olivet and all leadership educational projects! Disparaging remarks relative to the Sunday School, for example, may in part be justified but until more effective instruments have been fashioned, we urge the improvement and skillful employment of those we now have at hand. We agree with Bishop Oxham, President of the Federal Council of Churches, when in addressing a recent special meeting of the Council in Columbus, Ohio, he insisted that "Christianity was never more creative than in an hour of crisis" and later in the same address further insisted that "Religious Education must teach for a decision just as a sermon must preach for a verdict." We know full well what that decision must be and how frequently it must be made. Well chosen are the words of Oliver Powell in "Lenten Devotions for Young People" where he writes: "Some people like to report the place, day, hour and minute they 'accepted' Christ. You wonder if God, too, has it written in a notebook: 'October 10, 1945, at 7:45 p.m.'! Maybe He has. But I think He's a lot more interested in whether the same individual 'decided' for Christ at 9:45 p.m. on the same day or 3:20 the following Wednesday! You must decide daily, hourly, for Christ, in terms of the situations and people that come your way." Those situations are Hiroshima, an atomic age, international tension; those people are folk of differing races and nations, little children crying for lack of shelter and food and clothing, youth at home and far distant disillusioned, bewildered, yet earnest about life; those situations are also reconversion of men and material, Postwar Emergency programs, "One World," a church dominated by the vision and spirit of Jesus Christ. In His name and for their sake, your Board, instrument and agent of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference, has sought this past year to make its decisions and shape its program. To the Conference in behalf of the Board, for this high privilege of service for the Kingdom, the chairman desires to speak a most sincere "thank you"; and to the members of the Board, the heads of departments, the director, all of whom have served most faithfully and efficiently this past year, he adds in his own behalf a further word of personal appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL H. CLARK, Chairman.

(EXHIBIT VII)

REPORT OF MINISTER OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The over-all objective of the work of the Christian Education Department in to make operative in the local churches the principles, methods, and techniques of proved worth. It is our purpose to bring about an ever closer relationship between the local churches and the State Board of Christian Education and its committees.

In line with this policy, your Minister of Christian Education continues to place primary emphasis on field work. In the past year he has given 48 sermons and addresses, and has had 44 meetings—some of them two-day meetings, and longer. During the summer, he participated in six summer camps and conferences. It is also his policy to make unscheduled visits en route to appointments whenever time permits; many of these have been made during the year.

The Conference is indebted to the members of the Board of Christian Education for their untiring efforts in their respective fields. Time does not permit a full report of their activities; the account which follows is but a sampling.

The Children's Committee has had six meetings. They have published two Newsletters (600 copies each) which have found wide usefulness in our churches. They have taken great care in planning for their section of the Christian Education Institute. Many individual teachers have written to the chairman for advice on specific problems, and such advice has always been freely given.

The Junior High Committee has made a thoughtful analysis of our summer camp program and has instituted changes in program and procedure which, we believe, will improve the camps. One new Junior High camp is being added this summer; the Chairman of the Committee will be its director. For the future, the committee foresees a great opportunity in coordinating association Junior High organizations, and in aiding to establish such organizations where they do not already exist.

The Youth Department has maintained its vigorous program of work and activities. There have been three meetings. In the fall, the Guidebook was published and distributed to all the churches. This publication is being increasingly effective in coordinating and stimulating the youth work in our churches. The summer conference program was thoughtfully evaluated; considerable change for the coming summer resulted. The Guidebook this fall will announce revisions in procedures for the State Pilgrim Fellowship organization; this revision culminates countless hours of debate and discussion. Uninitiated adults would be amazed at the care and thoughtfulness with which these young people attack their problems.

The College Council, composed of representatives from the six centers where Congregationalists have student work, has held two meetings. This Council is making for itself a place of increased usefulness in stimulating and strengthening religious work on the campus. Last fall it made a determined effort to make preliminary contact with Congregational students coming to college; unfortunately, it must be said that so far the individual churches have given scant cooperation in this matter. The Council has also given invaluable aid in enlisting college students for service in our summer conferences.

The Leadership Education Committee has one purpose: to plan the program and leadership for the Christian Education Institute. The Institute has gained sufficient note that no further word of commendation need be made for this committee.

The Visual Education Committee has conducted a survey of the equipment available to our churches, and their felt need for visual aids. On the basis of this survey, the committee will be prepared to give impetus and guidance to a considerably expanded program. More will be said of this in another connection.

The Curriculum Committee has had two meetings. They are currently engaged in a project of great significance. The National Division of Christian Education is now in the process of preparing a new curriculum for church schools, which, we believe, will be admirably suited to the needs of many of our churches. Our state Curriculum Committee is preparing itself to interpret these new materials and guide their introduction.

The Women's Fellowship carries on a vigorous program of Christian education. The State Chairman is ex-officio a member of the Board. While her full report belongs elsewhere, it should be stated here that there is full cooperation and integration in this field.

It should be stated, in concluding a summary of the work of the Board of Christian Education, that the various members have made able contributions to the Conference News. These articles you have read and used.

In turning to plans for the future, there are four projects under way which merit your attention:

Our summer conference program for 1946 has been considerably expanded. Last year we had five conferences; this year we are planning eight. This expansion has multiplied our leadership problems in regard to both ministers and qualified lay persons. It means that more of our young people can be given the kind of instruction that they want and should have. We will continue to expand until the needs of our churches are met. Future policy will be determined by the response this summer.

The revision in Pilgrim Fellowship procedures, referred to above, needs special attention. The changes will be fully explained in the fall Guidebook. The new method of missions giving will, we believe, have two important results: first, it will give the young people better training in the kind of stewardship they should practice later as adults; second, it will make the adults—particularly the trustees and treasurers—participants in the Pilgrim Fellowship program. These changes are commended to all of our churches for their careful consideration.

The Visual Education field continues to be a growing one. In order to meet the needs, the Trustees have authorized the purchase of a complete set of equipment for the state office. Your Minister of Christian Education will then be equipped to go into our churches to make effective demonstrations of these new techniques. The State Visual Education Committee is further making plans for a series of one-day institutes which will make basic instruction available to all churches desiring it.

Implementing our policy to bring ever closer relationship between local churches and state committees, the Board of Christian Education has voted to establish a Department of Christian Education, which will consist of the members of the Board, together with the various Association Chairmen of Christian Education. This new Department will hold its first meeting in June. Several specific projects are being prepared to present to the Department at its first meeting; adoption must, of course, wait until then. This Department will, we are confident, provide the means for an invigorated and increasingly coordinated Christian Education program for our churches.

DONALD R. EVANS.

(EXHIBIT VIII)

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM
AND DEVOTIONAL LIFE**

Your Committee is earnestly seeking what we believe must be the essentials of an intelligent and vigorous evangelism for the churches of our Conference. Our churches are woefully lacking in the urgency and dynamic required to confront the contemporary rampant paganisms and cultural disintegration.

Over large areas of the earth's surface our civilization has suffered complete collapse. In Europe and Asia institutions and mores that had been the source of order and meaning for millions of people for centuries have been shattered. In our own nation civilization is little more than a thin veneer. Protestant Christianity is swiftly losing whatever influence or authority it ever commanded in our country and in Western Civilization.

Vast social forces are engaged in mortal struggles in an effort to determine who shall control tomorrow's world. These contending forces are ideological and therefore they are basically religious. Consequently they immediately concern us.

Will Communism, or Fascism, or the Christian-democratic way of life that has been the genius of our Western Civilization, assume control in the next twenty-five years? Fifty years from now will our American culture be dominated by Roman Catholicism, secularism, or the Protestant Christian faith? Are we drifting toward tyranny and death, or can we bestir ourselves to build new and expanding freedoms and life?

The historic Hebrew-Christian tradition, which since the Renaissance and the Reformation, has found most adequate expression in our Protestant Christian faith, confronts this cultural conflict, confusion, and decay with three ruling convictions:

Number One. The Sovereignty and Fatherhood of God. By Sovereignty is meant that the will of God, as revealed in the person, outlook, and work of Jesus Christ, must be sovereign in our lives. By Fatherhood is meant that God's will is our welfare, personally and collectively, and that He is involved with us in the struggle of man through the centuries to achieve a free and wholesome life.

Number Two. The Brotherhood of Man, which connotes man's biological kinship and the mutuality and interdependence of all human life.

Number Three. The Sacredness of Human Personality, which means that man participates in the nature of God, and is therefore under moral obligation to labor with God in creating the conditions that will enable every person to achieve the fullest possible development.

These are ruling convictions because every truly Christian person holds them as matters of life-and-death importance and urgency in every area of life—personal, political, economic, social.

We believe it to be the function of the church to proclaim these ruling convictions and to seek their application to these areas of life. We believe this is what it means to advance the Kingdom of God on earth. It is the conviction of the members of this committee that the Christian

Church by and large is not functioning in this way. The weakness of its evangelistic program stems from its failure to understand its proper function.

Presented with this contemporary challenge, and being the institution that has nurtured and inherited these ruling convictions, the evangelistic task of our churches now becomes both realistic and stupendous. Realistic, because the issues have now become what many Christian leaders for the last half century have prophesied: Christianity or chaos. Stupendous, because the issues for any foreseeable future are truly in doubt, and we need to radically transform the churches of our Conference and reform our strategies of revealing and sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Therefore it is our recommendation that earnest thought and prayer be given to the problem of how the church can be focused on its true mission.

This Committee planned and conducted the Ministers' Retreat at Olivet College, February 26-28, 1946. Dr. Allan A. Hunter of Los Angeles, California, led us in a Scriptural Life Clinic on "The Audacity of Prayer." Dr. Wofford C. Timmons, Executive of the General Council Commission on Evangelism and Devotional Life, gave helpful leadership in a discussion of methods of evangelism.

It is expected that this Committee will plan another Retreat in February, 1947. We would deeply appreciate getting suggestions from our ministers on leaders and problems to be presented.

ANTHONY A. NELSON, Chairman.

(EXHIBIT IX)

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

1

Whereas, the First Congregational Church of Kalamazoo through its minister, its various organizations, and members has provided every necessary facility for the furtherance of the work of the Conference and for the comfort of all its members.

Be it Resolved, That the members of this Conference heartily express appreciation and gratitude to the First Congregational Church of Kalamazoo, the minister, Dr. William A. Keith, and his wife for friendly atmosphere with which they have surrounded us, and for the efficient manner in which they have cared for us; to the choir, director, and organist for aiding the services of worship.

2

Be it Resolved, That this Conference send a request to President Truman to grant amnesty to all Conscientious Objectors still detained in Federal prisons.

3

Whereas, in consideration of the request in a communication from Dr. Faville, Superintendent of the Wisconsin Conference, which request was read to the Conference, reflecting the fact that a serious concern has arisen in many minds because of the increasingly growing evils of the liquor traffic, and because at the present time there appears to be no one acceptable plan to combat it.

Be it Resolved, That in consideration of similar steps being taken by other denominations, we, the Michigan Congregational Christian Conference, respectfully memorialize the General Council of Congregational Christian Churches to (1) Approve the launching of a united temperance organization, and (2) Provide for the election of representatives from the General Council on the basis followed in representation on the Federal Council of Churches, who shall share in all responsibilities for developing the movement.

ROBERT M. BARKSDALE, Chairman.
H. BUTLER FAIRMAN.

(EXHIBIT X)

REPORT OF THE SEMINARY VISITOR

The Chicago Theological Seminary Annual Ministers' Week, held February 4-8, 1946, was launched by the very auspicious inauguration of Dr. Arthur Cushman McGiffert, Jr., as fifth president of the Seminary. Dr. McGiffert, a scholar, able administrator, and Christian gentleman, is not a stranger to the Seminary, having been its Professor of Christian Theology for 13 years previous to 1939. The inaugural academic procession included representatives of hundreds of academic institutions and ecclesiastical organizations in addition to the Federated Theological Faculty and the Directors, State Superintendents, Delegates to the Triennial Convention, State Visitors, and various special dignitaries. Rockefeller Memorial Chapel was filled to capacity for this impressive ceremony, which marked the beginning of a new chapter in the history of the Seminary.

The 1946 Ministers' Week program, built around the timely and stimulating theme "The Church in the Atomic Age," attracted a record attendance. The usual high quality of the Alden Tuthill Lectures was continued this year by four lecturers instead of one, namely: Reuben G. Gustavson, Vice-President, University of Chicago; Charles E. Merriam, Professor of Political Science, University of Chicago; Charles G. Morrison, Editor, *The Christian Century*; and Ernest F. Tittle, Minister, First Methodist Church, Evanston, Illinois.

President McGiffert met with the Seminary visitors from the Congregational Conferences of the Midwest and discussed the aims and policies of the Seminary and asked for suggestions for the improvement of its functions and its relation to individual churches and conferences. He reported that the Federated Theological Faculty arrangements is succeeding very well and has even greater promise for the future than was thought when the idea was conceived. President Hutchins of the University of Chicago expresses his convictions on the matter in these words: "I believe that it is one of the most important developments in the history of American education. . . . Upon the vitality of Christian education the fate of the world now depends. And the most vital of all ventures in Christian education is the Federated Theological Faculty."

"Relevance" and "coordination" are receiving especial emphasis under the new educational policy. Christian education has discovered that the study of great books and their theories is not enough. Chicago Seminary believes that their students while studying books need also to acquire some fresh knowledge of the church, some fresh understanding of the social order, some first-hand fresh insight into human nature, so that they may be able to gauge the implications of the subject matter of their theoretical study. This practical study is known as field work and as research and survey, which is done under the direction and supervision of the faculty. This is the relevance aspect of the special emphasis—the relevance of idea to action. The second emphasis seeks to meet the crying educational need for coordination. The coordination of knowledge with practical activity requires a controlling pattern. The Federated Faculty has taken as its cue for such a pattern the Christian

religion itself and is striving to achieve coordination within theological education by the use of history as a controlling pattern mindful that the Christian religion took its rise in a historic event and stakes its faith finally on the contemporary event, which is the impact of the divine Spirit upon the personal and social life of our day.

Each week-end from the Seminary, students pour out to do various kinds of work—21 go to pastorates of town, country, and city churches—with memberships from 28 to 200; 15 take charge of programs of young people's work in nearby churches; 16 lead boys' and girls' clubs in settlement houses back of the stockyards, near steel mills, etc.; 15 direct programs of religious education or teach classes in churches whose Sunday Schools register from 100 to 400; 7 assist ministers whose churches are too big for one man to handle alone; 5 help the Y.M.C.A. to get its program out from its buildings into the places where the boys are; 6 study the great city of Chicago to see what needs churches should minister to; 2 work with the Congregational students in the University; 1 is a case worker in a Juvenile Court; 1 works as a church secretary; the remainder carry on a miscellany of services.

Chicago Seminary carries on its work along two lines; it prepares ministers for the churches of tomorrow. Some day students now studying there will be leaders of Congregationalism in our Conference. At present 67 alumni are serving in our state. The Seminary also strengthens the present ministerial leadership by means of various extension services: Ministers' Week; its splendid magazine **The Register**; its loan library by which for cost of two-way book postage ministers can borrow any religious book they want to read or study. Seminary professors are constantly making visits to various states: to speak to ministers, at colleges, to young people's conferences, and to individual churches.

Ministers and laymen are urged to send to the Seminary names and addresses of young men who have committed themselves to the Christian ministry as a life work or are thinking seriously of so doing. The Seminary will put them on the mailing list so that they may keep in touch with events at the Seminary and receive printed material relating to the ministry and so form a sense of fellowship in their commitment and their hope.

The following statistics indicate registration and fields of endeavor chosen by graduates of the last three years:

Average student registration during last three years.....	122
Average number of Congregationalists	63
Other denominations represented	21

Of C.T.S. graduates of the last three years:

- 35 are ministers of churches;
- 5 are directors of religious education;
- 4 are chaplains;
- 3 are on foreign mission service;
- 1 is in postwar rehabilitation abroad;
- 4 are doing further graduate study to become teachers of religion;
- 1 is director of radio for Congregational Christian churches;
- 1 is a Y.M.C.A. secretary;
- 7 are in a variety of other tasks.

This report may well be concluded with the words with which President McGiffert concluded his inaugural address. Concerning the task of the Seminary he said, "... it can educate men and women to understand and enjoy the riches of the Christian faith; it can transmit the magnificent traditions of Christian culture; it can equip prospective Christian leaders so that with courage, intelligence, and love they will come to grips with the contemporary pagan and secular world. Along this way, in God's good time and by His grace, the kingdoms of this world may become the Kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ."

Respectfully submitted,

DON L. DECOURSEY, Seminary Visitor.

(EXHIBIT XI)

OBITUARIES

Rex O. Holman. Born at Chester, Michigan, September 8, 1888. Education: Kalamazoo and Olivet College. Ordained: 1919. Michigan pastorates: Large Benzonia Parish, Mancelona, Hart, Manistee, Owosso. Died: Midland, Michigan, March 14, 1946, while serving as Veterans' Counselor for Midland County.

Charles E. Taggart. Born: January 28, 1858, at Adrian, Michigan. Education: Olivet College Academy and Olivet College, with A.B. degree in 1883. Ordained: July, 1886, at St. Ignace, Michigan. Michigan pastorates: Three Oaks, Litchfield, Reed City, Almont, Charlevoix, Portland. Died: November 3, 1945, at Washington, D. C.

**BY-LAWS OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF
THE MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL AND
CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE**

Adopted May 19, 1943

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this society shall be the Women's Fellowship of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference.

ARTICLE II

Purpose

The purpose of the Women's Fellowship of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference shall be to enlist the cooperation of the Women's organizations of the local churches of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference by means of educational and inspirational programs to promote closer fellowship and to enlarge the sphere of activity and sense of responsibility, to further in every way possible the cause of Christ throughout the world. To receive, to hold and to allocate funds given and trusted to the Women's Fellowship.

ARTICLE III

Membership

All women within and of the Congregational and Christian Churches and any Women's organizations within these churches by virtue of their gifts or service shall constitute the membership of the society.

ARTICLE IV

Officers and Election

SECTION 1. The officers of the Women's Fellowship of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference shall be: president, 1st vice-president, 2nd vice-president, secretary and treasurer. They shall be elected by the society.

SECTION 2. There shall be such departments of work and program as shall be necessary to cooperate effectively with the State Conference, the National Mission Boards, the General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches and the National Fellowship of Congregational and Christian Women.

The departments shall be as follows: Devotional Life, Missionary Education, Publicity, Social Action, Benevolence, Friendly Service, and Christian Education.

The Chairman of each department shall be appointed by vote of the society.

SECTION 3. There shall be five (5) Members-at-Large, elected by the society.

SECTION 4. There shall be a Committee on Nominations consisting of three (3) members, appointed by vote of the society. The senior member shall be Chairman and shall serve on the Executive Board. All members of this committee shall be selected from the membership at large.

SECTION 5. The term of office shall be three (3) years. No officer, chairman of department, Member-at-Large or member of the Committee on Nominations shall be eligible for the same office for more than two (2) consecutive terms.

SECTION 6. (a) The President, Treasurer, Chairman of Christian Education, Chairman of Publicity, Chairman of Friendly Service, one Member-at-Large and one (1) member of the Committee on Nominations shall be elected or appointed the same year.

(b) The 1st Vice-President, Secretary, Chairman of Devotional Life, Chairman of Benevolence, two Members-at-Large and one member of the Committee on Nominations shall be elected or appointed the same year.

(c) The 2nd Vice-President, Chairman of Missionary Education, Chairman of Social Action, two Members-at-Large and one member of the Committee on Nominations shall be elected or appointed the same year.

SECTION 7. Election shall be by ballot, except when the number of candidates does not exceed the number to be elected, in which case the election may by unanimous consent be by Oral Vote at the Annual Meeting.

SECTION 8. The Executive Board shall have the power to fill any vacancy occurring on the Executive Board or on the Committee on Nominations in the interim of annual elections. The person appointed to fill such a vacancy shall serve during the remainder of the unexpired term.

ARTICLE V

Administration

The work and program of the Women's Fellowship shall be in charge of the Executive Board and the Executive Committee as provided for hereinafter.

ARTICLE VI

Executive Board and Executive Committee

SECTION 1. The Executive Board of the Women's Fellowship of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference shall consist of the officers of the society, the Chairmen of Departments, the Chairman of the Committee on Nominations, five (5) Members-at-Large and the Presidents of the Associations, duly elected from their respective bodies. The wife of the Superintendent of the State Conference shall be an Honorary Member of the Executive Board.

SECTION 2 (a) The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Executive Board and two (2) additional members appointed by the President from the Executive Board.

(b) It may hold meetings for emergency actions only in the interim of regular meetings of the Executive Board, and shall have all the powers of the Board, subject to ratification by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VII

Meetings

SECTION 1. There shall be an annual meeting of the society during the same week of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference annual meeting.

SECTION 2 (a) The Executive Board shall meet semi-annually, one meeting shall be held during the same week as the annual meeting of the society and the other meeting shall be held during the winter.

(b) Special Meetings of the Executive Board may be called upon the request of the president and two (2) other members of the Board or upon the request of any five (5) members of the Board.

SECTION 3. The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the President.

ARTICLE VIII

Quorum

SECTION 1. Twenty-five (25) members shall constitute a quorum for the society.

SECTION 2. One-third ($\frac{1}{3}$) of the members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 3. Five (5) members shall constitute a quorum for the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IX

Committees

SECTION 1. There shall be such committees as the Executive Board shall deem necessary to promote the purpose of the society.

SECTION 2. Standing and Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, and as the Executive Board may authorize.

ARTICLE X

Endowment Funds

The Endowment Funds of the Women's Fellowship of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference shall be in the hands of the State Conference. The income from said funds shall be disbursed upon an order from the Treasurer of the Women's Fellowship. The President may authorize expenditures included in the budget adopted annually by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE XI

Amendments

These By-Laws may be amended at the annual meeting of the society, by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) vote, provided a quorum is present and the amendment has been approved by the Executive Board. Notice of such amendment having been given in the call of the meeting. The reading of the proposed amendment to the Executive Board shall be made at a regular meeting. Action for recommendation to the society shall take place at the next regular meeting of the Executive Board.

PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all deliberations of this society.

STANDING RULES OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF THE MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL AND CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE

RULE I

Duties of Executive Board Members

SECTION 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the society, of the Executive Board and of the Executive Committee. She shall appoint all committees and designate the chairman thereof, unless otherwise directed. She shall be a member ex-officio of all committees and departments, except the Committee on Nominations. She shall be ex-officio a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference. She shall be a member of the Board of Directors of the Michigan Council of Church Women. She shall be allowed four (4) cents a mile for traveling expenses in the discharge of her duties. She shall authorize budget expenditures.

SECTION 2. The 1st Vice-President shall in the absence of the president preside and perform all other duties required of the president. She shall assist the president and cooperate with the Association Presidents in the promotion of the departments. She shall be a representative on the Board of Directors of the Michigan Council of Church Women.

SECTION 3. The 2nd Vice-President shall in the absence of both the president and the 1st vice-president, preside and perform all other duties required of the president. She shall serve as Chairman of the Speaker's Bureau, which will be composed of persons within Associations who are qualified to speak on subjects that concern the Women's Fellowship.

SECTION 4. The Secretary shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of all meetings of the society, of the Executive Board and of the Executive Committee, reading them in their respective bodies. She shall send copies of the minutes of the meetings of the Executive Board and Executive Committee to all members of the Executive Board. She shall see that notices are sent for all business meetings, both regular and special. She shall notify officers, chairmen of departments, Members-at-Large and members of the Committee on Nominations of their elections or appointments and shall receive and file the written reports of the officers, departments and committees. She shall assist the president in the correspondence of the Executive Board.

SECTION 5. The Treasurer shall receive monies and disburse the same upon the order of the president, the Executive Board having authorized budget expenditures. The Treasurer shall see that the books are closed January 10th of each year for the annual audit. She shall present to the Board at each regular meeting, a statement of receipts, expenditures and bills outstanding and at the annual meeting a certified financial statement.

SECTION 6. The Chairman of the Devotional Life Department shall acquaint herself with the books and materials recommended for prayer circles, group and family worship, and prepare such helps as will assist in the further development of the devotional life of the members and churches in the Women's Fellowship. She shall be responsible for making the resources and materials of the department available to the members and churches in the society. She shall report regularly to the Executive Board the work and progress of the department.

SECTION 7. The Chairman of the Christian Education Department shall provide literature and materials, regarding phases of Christian Family Life, recommending effective religious programs for women's organizations. She shall encourage the use of "The Curriculum Guide for the Church," which includes the "World Service Course," and urge members of the Women's Fellowship to offer their services in the interest of the Christian Education Program of the churches. She shall foster "study and interest groups" on all phases of the Church and Religion. She shall assist in creating interest and thereby attendance at the summer conferences, especially the Olivet Christian Education Adult Institute, calling upon the churches to send leaders for further training. She shall keep the Board informed of the growth of the department. She shall serve as a member of the Michigan Conference Board of Christian Education.

SECTION 8. The Chairman of the Missionary Education Department shall acquaint herself with the subjects and materials recommended by the Missionary Education Movement, the Missions Council, and the State Conference. She shall be responsible for making the resources and materials available to the members and churches in the Women's Fellowship. She shall assist the church groups development of Missionary Education and Missionary Programs. She shall report regularly to the Executive Board the work and progress of the department. She shall serve as a member of the Michigan Conference Committee on Missionary Education.

SECTION 9. The Chairman of the Publicity Department shall receive the articles covering the programs and activities of the church groups in the Women's Fellowship. She shall adapt these for the Women's Page of the Michigan Conference News and see that this material reaches the State Conference office by the dead line date. She shall also submit to the "Envelope Series," "Guide Posts" and the "Advance," items of special interest to all churches. She shall assist in promoting the circulation of the "Michigan Conference News," "Advance," "Missionary Herald," "Social Action," "Envelope Series," "Guide Posts" and the "Church Woman" throughout the member churches. She shall report annually to the Executive Board the approximate number of subscriptions to the above magazines from the Women's Fellowship. She shall also keep the Board in touch with the needs of the department.

SECTION 10. The Chairman of Social Action Department shall acquaint herself with the subjects and materials recommended by "The Council for Social Action." She shall seek to develop within the Women's Fellowship interest and support of the work of the Council. She shall assist in the promotion of the circulation of the Social Action magazine. She shall keep in touch with legislation and questions affecting vital social issues, which concern the work of the Women's Fellowship; recommending action and reporting the developments of the department to the Executive Board. She shall serve as a member of the Michigan Conference Committee on Social Relations.

SECTION 11. The Chairman of the Benevolence Department shall seek to promote among the churches of the state, Stewardship and Thank-Offering Programs recommended by the National Boards and the State Conference and prepare such helps as will assist the churches in the support of the Benevolence Goal. She shall report regularly to the Board the churches co-operating and the growth of the department.

SECTION 12. The Chairman of the Friendly Service Department shall receive from the National Board the quotas assigned to Michigan. She shall divide the quotas and reassign to the Women's Fellowship of the Associa-

tions, according to their ability to perform. She shall become familiar with the institutions served by the department through the medium of the "Information Service" and other literature from the Missions Council. She shall seek to cultivate throughout the Women's Fellowship a desire to promote programs that will keep the members informed about these institutions. She shall present an annual report to the Executive Board and shall keep the Board informed of the work and progress of the department.

SECTION 13. The members of the Executive Board who are elected as Members-at-Large shall cooperate with and promote the program of the departments in expanding the work of the Women's Fellowship. They shall be ready at all times to assist the President in all matters relating to the Women's Fellowship.

SECTION 14. The Committee on Nominations shall make their report to the annual meeting of the society, when further nominations shall be allowed from the floor. It shall also, as required during the interim between annual elections, recommend nominees for vacancies occurring on the Executive Board and Committee on Nominations in accordance with the By-Laws. The senior member shall be Chairman and shall serve on the Executive Board.

RULE II

Order of Business

1. Call to Order and response to the Roll Call.
2. Devotions.
3. Reading and Approval of Minutes.
4. Report of the Treasurer.
5. Reading of Communications and Presentation of Bills.
6. Reports of Officers.
7. Reports of Chairmen of Departments.
8. Reports of Presidents of Associations.
9. Reports of Standing Committees.
10. Reports of Special Committees.
11. Unfinished Business.
12. New Business.
13. Program.
14. Adjournment.

RULE III

Amendments

These Standing Rules may be amended at the annual meeting of the society, by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) vote, provided a quorum is present and the amendment has been approved by the Executive Board.

PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all deliberations of this society.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF THE MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL- CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE

The nineteenth annual meeting of the Women's Fellowship of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference opened with a luncheon held in the First Congregational Church of Kalamazoo at 12:30 on May 23, 1946. The president, Miss Frances Dunnette, presided.

Mrs. Harold N. Skidmore gave the invocation. The speakers' table at which were seated the guest of honor, Mrs. Howard Stone Anderson, State Department chairmen, and Association presidents, was centered with a globe of the world with white ribbons running from Michigan to flags of all nations. The other tables were centered with interesting exhibits of those countries around which our Postwar Reconstruction Program centers, carrying out the idea of "In His Name and For Their Sake."

Mrs. Roy Plant, chairman, Mrs. Keith Elliot, and Mrs. Wm. A. Keith were the committee in charge of the program for the day, and Mrs. Harry D. Cos was luncheon chairman.

Following the presentation of those at the speakers' table, the meeting was called to order by the president, Miss Dunnette.

Business conducted:

It was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

Each person received mimeographed copies of the reports of the officers and department chairmen, these were accepted and placed on file.

The president announced that a new edition of the **Michigan Manual for Leaders** had been printed and a copy would be enclosed in the Program Packet, one of which will again be mailed to each church in the state.

Miss Dunnette told of representing the National Fellowship of Congregational Women at the national meeting of Women's Organizations of the Presbyterian Churches in the United States. Their theme was "Thy Will Be Done On Earth." Miss Dunnette said "she felt that this theme was one that all Christian women should feel to be a real challenge and as we go about the work in our own churches, remember that 'God has no other hands but ours' and that we must put forth our very best efforts to help to make the transition in a friendly way of erasing racial lines. . . . We must educate ourselves, we must KNOW and then ACT." She reminded women of the great power that is theirs and that we must use this power in the right way. She said, "We talk a great deal about what we want and what we think, but WHAT do we really DO?" Miss Dunnette reminded that programs should be educational, interesting and inspirational, and that they in turn would bring real results in our church life.

The immediate need of a projector for the Gladstone Parish was presented with the statement that \$229 had come in from the Grand Rapids Association and \$25 from the church at Clinton. A generous response was made by those present but more is necessary if the project is to be met as the entire cost is around \$550.

A set of posters with clever figures setting off the printed words gave a graphic picture of the work of the "Seven Educational Departments." The cover shows the Seven Dwarfs with their Seven Keys of Service. Miss Dunnette will take them to the General Council meeting in Grinnell as an exhibit of the work of the Michigan Fellowship. This work was done by Mrs. Sydney Coleman, a member of Park Church, Grand Rapids, and it was voted to send her an expression of thanks for her excellent contribution to the work of our Fellowship.

A slate of officers was presented by Mrs. L. M. Isaacs, chairman of the nominating committee. There were no nominations from the floor and as there was only one candidate for each office, there was a unanimous vote to elect the officers as presented:

Second Vice-President—Mrs. Roy Plant, Battle Creek, three years
Missionary Education—Mrs. LeRoy Walcott, Grand Rapids, three years
Social Action—Mrs. Frederic Chamberlain, Lakeside, three years
Publicity—Mrs. Thomas W. Nadal, Olivet, three years
Members-at-Large—Mrs. Edward Schaap, Dundee, three years
 Mrs. Alfred Dumdei, St. Joseph, three years
 Mrs. R. S. Evans, Detroit, three years

Nominating Committee—Mrs. Harold Hyde, Detroit, two years

Following the election the group adjourned to the sanctuary. A very impressive devotional service was conducted with Mrs. H. C. McCampbell, Mrs. Keith Redner, and Mrs. Wm. A. Keith as leaders, Mrs. Lincoln Dupon as organist, and Mrs. Burr Vohees and Mrs. Myles Logan as soloists.

Mrs. Howard Stone Anderson, President of the National Women's Fellowship, spoke. She told of some of her experiences when she was in England with the Congregational Fellowship group. Mrs. Anderson closed the meeting with prayer.

MRS. CLARA PARKHURST, Secretary.

**OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS OF THE
WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP—1946-47**

President—Miss Frances Dunnette, 619 Parkwood N.E., Grand Rapids (1948)
1st Vice-President—Mrs. Robert Lattin, 15231 Forrer, Detroit 27 (1947)
2nd Vice-President—Mrs. Roy A. Plant, 95 Guest St., Battle Creek (1949)
Treasurer—Mrs. Fay R. Stokes, 415 West Grand River, East Lansing (1948)
Secretary—Mrs. Wm. Parkhurst, 609 College Ave. S.E., Grand Rapids (1947)
Benevolence—Mrs. C. M. Novak, 1012 Sixth St., Traverse City (1947)
Devotional Life—Mrs. Harold N. Skidmore, 324 Chesterfield Parkway, East Lansing (1947)
Christian Education—Mrs. Donald Olson, 16615 Fenmore, Detroit 27 (1948)
Friendly Service—Mrs. C. L. Weaver, Clinton (1948)
Missionary Education—Mrs. LeRoy Walcott, 731 Franklin St. S.E., Grand Rapids 7 (1949)
Publicity—Mrs. Thomas W. Nadal, Olivet (1949)
Social Action—Mrs. Frederic Chamberlain, Lakeside (1949)

Association Presidents

Central—Miss Estella Davis, Olivet
Cheboygan—Mrs. L. M. Isaacs, Gaylord
Detroit—Mrs. L. R. Martin, 628 Middlesex Bend, Grosse Pointe 30
Gladstone—Mrs. Fred Lang, Fayette
Grand Rapids—Mrs. Gillis Vandenberg, 1804 Lake Drive, Grand Rapids
Grand Traverse—Mrs. Asa Case, Box 245, Benzonia
Jackson—Mrs. Earl Blinn, 831 Munith Rd., Jackson
Kalamazoo—Mrs. Keith Elliot, 160 N. Union, Battle Creek
Muskegon—Mrs. Henry Pyle, Lake Drive, N. Muskegon
Lake Superior—Mrs. Fred Bryant, Laurium
Sault Ste. Marie—Mrs. Mae Byers, Sault Ste. Marie, R.R. 2

Members-at-Large

Mrs. Earl Collins, Grand Rapids (1947)
Mrs. Ray Caldwell, St. Johns (1947)
Mrs. Edward Schaap, Dundee (1949)
Mrs. Alfred Dumdei, St. Joseph (1949)
Mrs. R. S. Evans, Detroit (1948)

Committee on Nominations

Mrs. Earl Blinn, Jackson (1947)
Mrs. L. E. VanAntwerp, Benton Harbor (1948)
Mrs. Harold Hyde, Detroit (1949)

LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS

Central—Organized October 14, 1845

Registrar—Rev. Ward K. Klopp, Durand.
 Churches—Au Gres, Bancroft, Bay City, Breckenridge, Bridgeport, Carmel, Carson City, Charlotte, Clare, Durand, East Lansing, Eaton Rapids, Eureka, Flint, Freeland, Grand Blanc, Grand Ledge, Harrison, Highland, Laingsburg, Lansing Mayflower, Lansing Pilgrim, Lansing Plymouth, Maple Rapids, Merrill, Olivet, Onondaga, Ovid, Owosso, Perry, Portland, Saginaw, St. Johns, Vermontville, Vernon, Victor.
 Ministers—Robert M. Barksdale, Robert M. Bartlett, Arie Binkhorst, Victor F. Brown, Motier C. Bullock, Ray T. Caldwell, R. Russel Denison, L. Edward Dull, Gordon L. Giddings, Charles B. Hastie, Elmer E. Hoats, Wm. J. Hunter, Ward K. Klopp, A. H. Lash, Otto J. Lyon, Carl Martenson, Robert McCleary, Russell McConnell, Thomas W. Nadal, Malcolm G. Powley, Albert C. Schue, Harold T. Scott, Frederick P. Sprague, James M. Turner, Dale E. Turner, Harold Watson, Samuel B. Wenger.

Licentiate—Benjamin I. Davies.

Cheboygan—Organized February 13, 1878

Registrar—Rev. James B. Ellison, Wolverine.
 Churches—Alpena, Atlanta, Big Rock, Central Lake, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Gaylord, Ironton, Kalkaska, Evergreen, Lewiston, Long Rapids, Luzerne, Roscommon, Vanderbilt, Wolverine.
 Ministers—Clark G. Adams, James B. Ellison, Donald Evans, Daniel W. Boxwell, L. M. Isaacs, Albert W. Kauffman, A. J. Parker, Oliver S. Page, Clayton H. Stowe, Arthur A. Wall.

Detroit—Organized May 4, 1887

Registrar—Rev. Alexander M. Meikle, First Congregational Church, Detroit.
 Churches—Detroit Armenian, Detroit Bethel, Detroit Boulevard, Detroit Brewster-Pilgrim, Detroit Bushnell, Detroit First, Detroit Grosse Pointe, Detroit Highland Park, Detroit Mayflower, Detroit Mt. Hope, Detroit North Woodward, Detroit Plymouth, Dearborn First, Dearborn Greenfield, Flat Rock, Gibraltar, Maybee, Metamora, Oxford, Pontiac, Rochester, Rockwood, Royal Oak, Wayne, Wyandotte.
 Ministers—Glen R. Asplin, Erwin Britton, Myron R. Bunnell, Robert E. Burtt, James S. Caskey, Ralph P. Claggett, Robert J. Burgess, Walton E. Cole, George E. Drew, Ralph H. Ferris, Howard S. Fox, Charles F. Goudey, George E. Gullen, James C. Hagaman, F. Ervin Hyde, Norman H. Jackson, Walter M. Jackson, Henry A. Jessup, Henry B. Johnson, Carl R. Key, Joseph Q. Mayne, Alexander Meikle, Charles H. Myers, Frederick Peggs, John H. Prentis, John D. Rose, Charles W. Scheid, George W. Shepherd, Nathaniel Skidmore, Roger Eddy Treat.

Eastern—Organized February 12, 1840

Registrar—Rev. Clyde Wilcox, St. Clair.
Churches—Almont, Armada, Columbus, Imlay City, Memphis, New Baltimore, New Haven, Port Huron First, Port Huron Ross Memorial, Port Huron Sturges Memorial, Richmond, Romeo, St. Clair.
Ministers—Carl H. Anderson, P. Arthur Arnold, John H. Balfour, Oscar P. Bollman, Clarence M. Burkholder, John W. Rahill, Thomas S. Vernon, Brooks A. Warren, Wm. Thomas Watson, Clyde Wilcox, Clarence Young.

Gladstone—Organized August 29, 1888

Registrar—Mrs. Edith Heafield, Garden.
Churches—Cooks, Fayette, Garden, Isabella, Rapid River.
Ministers—Gerald A. Smith, Serge F. Hummon.

Grand Rapids—Organized January 8, 1856

Registrar—Rev. Walter M. Swann, Grant.
Churches—Ada, Alpine Trinity, Belding, Bostwick Lake, Bradley, Butternut, Clarksville, Coral, Crystal, Douglas, East Nelson, Grand Rapids Burlingame, Grand Rapids Comstock Park, Grand Rapids East, Grand Rapids Park, Grand Rapids Plymouth, Grand Rapids Second, Grand Rapids Smith, Grand Rapids South, Grand Rapids Wallin, Grandville-Jenison, Grant, Greenville, Hopkins Second, Hudsonville, Lake Odessa, Lowell, Moline, Nevins Lake, Rockford, Saranac, Saugatuck, Sidney, Stanton, Wayland.
Ministers—Glen Aldrich, Arthur Anderson, Estle C. Barnes, Gary Bousman, John A. Cole, Earl F. Collins, Albert Dawe, Edith Dorrell, Hubert S. Ellis, E. Richard Evans, H. Butler Fairman, John A. Hanning, Charles M. Houser, George E. Hughes, Edward Humphrey, Harold T. Janes, Frank T. Jensen, Theodore Jorgensen, Horace E. Maycroft, Herbert McConnell, Charles W. Merriam, Anthony A. Nelson, St. Clare Parsons, Frederick Pinch, Harry Pollard, June K. Pollard, Albert E. Potts, Harold N. Skidmore, Walter M. Swann, Arthur W. Swann, Boyd R. Swem, E. Archibald Thompson, Egbert Winter, Norman G. Woon.

Grand Traverse—Organized January 1, 1863

Registrar—Rev. G. Russell Parker, Northport.
Churches—Benzonia, Buckley, Cadillac, Eden, Frankfort, Homestead, Honor, Kalkaska, Lake City, Manistee, Northport, Old Mission, Onekama, Suttons Bay, Thompsonville, Traverse City First, Traverse City Oak Park.
Ministers—Thomas Ainslie, Thomas E. Bennett, Alfred Bentall, Raymond L. Boadway, Philip D. Dutton, Albert B. Eby, Griffith Evans, Philip Gregory, John T. Henry, George Lomas, G. Russell Parker, W. Howard Thomlinson, Lewis N. Tillson, Howard R. Towne.
Licentiate—Karl W. Wildt.

Jackson—Organized May 17, 1842

Registrar—Rev. W. H. Skentelbury, Chelsea.
Churches—Addison, Ann Arbor, Bethel, Britton, Chelsea, Clinton, Dexter, Dundee, East Gilead, Grass Lake, Hudson, Jackson First,

Jackson Plymouth, Kinderhook, Leslie, Litchfield, Morenci, Pinckney, Pittsford, Prattville, Ransom, Salem First, Salem Second, Sandstone, Somerset, Tipton, Webster, West Adrian, Wheatland, Ypsilanti.

Ministers—Alfred L. Allard, Ray W. Barber, Donald D. Brady, E. A. Carnes, Harvey C. Colburn, Hubert N. Dukes, George A. Emerich, Wm. D. Farrer, Arthur E. Gay, John S. Gillespie, Kenneth Griswold, Edmund E. Gunther, Wm. O. Hainsworth, Gerald Hallauer, Ray M. Hardy, Harry Kellogg, Thomas Leggette, John D. McLouth, James C. Mead, Leonard A. Parr, Anne L. Pearse, Wm. J. Prestidge, Ozro E. Priest, Marshall Rector, Wm. H. Skentelbury, Gordon C. Speer, Lucia M. Stroh, Thomas Toy, Charles F. Wolf.

Licentiate—Virgil D. Allard.

Kalamazoo—Organized June 1, 1849

Registrar—Rev. Lawrence E. Tenhopen, South Haven.

Churches—Alamo, Allegan, Athens, Bangor, Baroda, Battle Creek, Bedford, Benton Harbor, Bridgman, Bronson, Coloma, Constantine, Cooper, Covert, Dowagiac, Eau Claire, Fredonia, Galesburg, Grand Junction, Kalamazoo, Lawrence, Leonidas, Leroy, Mattawan, Otsego, Pullman, St. Joseph, Sawyer, South Haven, Texas, Three Oaks, Union City, Watervliet.

Ministers—J. M. Artman, Howard A. Blanning, Donald C. Bourne, Lyman V. Cady, James R. Cullen, Don L. De Coursey, Oviatt E. Desmond, C. Elliott Gardner, Wm. E. Goltz, Roger W. Gough, Percy L. Graham, Clifford W. Hilliker, George C. Horst, Mark G. Inghram, Lawrence O. Johnson, Emil Kaitschuck, Wm. A. Keith, Robert C. Kemper, Robert J. Locke, Alpheus M. Lusk, Emil Kaitschuck, H. A. Miles, Carleton B. Miller, George Raymond Myers, John D. Perrin, Warren S. Shelley, Lawrence E. Tenhopen, Frederick Williams, Wm. P. Woodward, C. Floyd Wright.

Licentiate—Seth Clay.

Lake Superior—Organized August 12, 1879

Registrar—Mr. Warren M. Bell, Hancock.

Churches—Calumet, Chassel, Hancock, Hubbell, Lake Linden.

Ministers—M. R. Fenner, Wayne L. Waters.

Muskegon—Organized January 13, 1864

Registrar—Rev. John Gehring, Hart.

Churches—Baldwin, Big Prairie, Big Rapids First, Custer, Fremont, Fruitport, Hart, Hersey, Lakeview, Ludington, Muskegon First, Muskegon Jackson Street, Muskegon McGraft, Nawaygo, Reed City, Shelby, Six Lakes, Whitehall.

Ministers—Coral F. Badder, Paul H. Clark, John W. Erskine, John Gehring, A. R. Gold, Lawrence Horning, Horace B. Loomis, Arthur E. Jarvis, Ernest J. Millington, Halley B. Oliver, Samuel N. Oliver, Clarence D. Oberlin, Duncan M. Olmstead, Charles L. Pendleton, John C. Willits.

Sault Ste. Marie—Organized March 17, 1880

Registrar—Mrs. Russell Osborne, Sault Ste. Marie, R. D. No. 2.

Churches—Allenville, Brimley, Drummond, Mackinac Island, Pine Grove, Rosedale.

NAMES OF MINISTERS

Members of the Michigan Congregational Conference with date of ordination, post office address, and the initials of the Local Association with which they are connected.

Name	Residence	Date	Ass'n
Adams, Clark G.	Atlanta	1909	C.
Ainslie, Thomas	Traverse City, Brosch Road, R.D. 1	1913	G. T.
Aldrich, Glen E.	Evart	1941	G. R.
Allard, Alfred L.	Pinckney	1925	J.
Anderson, Arthur	Hancock, Wisconsin		G. R.
Anderson, Carl H.	Almont	1942	E.
Arnold, P. Arthur	Richmond, Box 70	1911	E.
Artman, Joseph M.	Three Oaks	1906	K.
Asplin, Glen R.	Lennon	1922	D.
Badder, Coral F.	Big Rapids	1914	M.
Balfour, John H.	Imlay City	1914	E.
Barber, Ray W.	Dearborn, 23221 Hollander	1921	J.
Barksdale, Robert M.	Bay City, 1719 9th St.	1935	Central
Bartlett, Robert M.	Lansing, 213 W. Allegan	1924	Central
Barnes, Estle C.	Comstock Park, 4023 River Road	1927	G. R.
Bennett, Thomas E.	Traverse City, Box 344	1907	J.
Bentall, Alfred	Lansing, 1238 W. Michigan	1902	G. T.
Binkhorst, Arie	Olivet	1895	Central
Blanning, Howard A.	Benton Harbor	1914	K.
Boadway, Raymond L.	Manistee	1933	G. T.
Bollman, Oscar Phillip	Romeo	1940	E.
Bourne, Donald S.	Benton Harbor	1938	K.
Bousman, Gary	Plymouth Church, Milwaukee, Wis.	1939	G. R.
Brady, Donald D.	Jackson, 1601 Chapin St.	1929	J.
Boxwell, Daniel W.	Hanapepe, Kauai, T. H.	1946	C.
Britton, Erwin	Wayne, 35122 Main St.	1941	D.
Brown, Victor F.	Eaton Rapids	1893	Central
Burgess, Robert J.	Rochester	1939	D.
Burkholder, Clarence M.	Port Huron, 2651 Electric Ave.	1897	E.
Burt, Robert E.	Detroit, 18915 Monica Ave.	1939	D.
Bullock, Motier C.	Grand Blanc	1906	C.
Bunnell, Myron R.	Dearborn, 7 Duxbury Lane	1932	D.
Cady, Lyman V.	Hanover College, Hanover, Ind.	1916	K.
Caldwell, Ray T.	St. Johns	1914	Central
Carnes, E. A.	Bloomington	1912	J.
Caskey, James S.	Detroit, 12929 Joy Road, 27	1931	D.
Claggett, Ralph P.	Pontiac, 73 Miami Road	1926	D.
Clark, Paul Haskell	Ludington, 109 N. Harrison	1925	M.
Cole, John A.	Chicago, Ill., 7938 Cranden	1893	G. R.
Cole, Walton E.	Detroit, 33 E. Forest	1928	D.
Colburn, Harvey C.	Ypsilanti, 1122 Pearl St.	1903	J.
Collins, Earl F.	Grand Rapids, 938 Sheldon S. E.	1919	G. R.
Cullen, James R.	Lansing, 1418 W. Kalamazoo	1923	K.

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Dawe, Albert	Douglas	1916	G. R.
De Coursey, Don L.	Dowagiac	1940	K.
Denison, Russell	Owosso, 414 W. Oliver	1928	Central
Desmond, Oviatt E.	Battle Creek, First Cong'l Church	1929	K.
Dorrell, Edith	Grand Rapids, 403 Leonard N. W.	1935	G. R.
Drew, George E.	Detroit 4, 4308 Pasadena Ave.	1932	D.
Dukes, Hubert N.	Grand Forks, North Dakota	1922	J.
Dull, L. Edward	Maple Rapids	1916	Central
Dutton, Philip D.	Benzonia	1916	G. T.
Eby, Albert B.	Benzonia	1901	G. T.
Ellis, Hubert S.	Belding	1912	G. R.
Ellison, James B.	Wolverine	1936	C.
Emerich, George	Hillsdale, 10 North St.	1907	J.
Erskine, John W.	Evart	1900	M.
Evans, E. Richard	Grand Rapids, 1216 Seneca S. W.	1916	G. R.
Evans, Donald R.	East Lansing, 415 W. Grand River	1939	C.
Evans, Griffith	Grand Junction, R. D.	1901	G. T.
Fairman, H. Butler	Grand Rapids, 619 Hall St. S. W.	1937	G. R.
Farrer, Wm. D.	Pellston, Box 23	1904	J.
Fenner, M. R.	Laurium	1945	L. S.
Ferris, Ralph Hall	East Lansing, 819 Huntington Drive	1906	D.
Fox, Howard S.	Detroit 8, 5653 Stanton	1914	D.
Gardner, C. Elliott	Bangor	1943	K.
Gay, Arthur E.	Leslie	1914	J.
Gehring, John	Hart	1938	M.
Giddings, Gordon L.	Grand Ledge	1940	Central
Gillespie, John S.	Charleston, W. Va., 229½ Capital	1896	J.
Gold, A. Reginald	Lakeview	1926	M.
Goltz, Wm. E.	Hartford, 434 Linden St.	1919	K.
Goudey, Charles F.	Detroit 6, 7625 Linwood Ave.	1934	D.
Gough, Roger W.	Allegan	1932	K.
Graham, Percy L.	Otsego	1923	K.
Gregory, Philip H.	Kalkaska	1929	G. T.
Griswold, Kenneth	Dundee	1937	J.
Gullen, George E.	Detroit 26, 914 Lafayette Bldg.	1909	D.
Gunther, Edmund E.	Ann Arbor, 1115 Lincoln	1912	J.
Hageman, James C.	Detroit 21, 15377 Holmur Ave.	1897	D.
Hainsworth, Wm. O.	Dexter	1924	J.
Hallauer, Gerald G.	Britton	1946	J.
Hanning, John A.	Los Angeles, California	1907	G. R.
Hardy, Ray M.	Lincoln Park 25, 1034 Ford Blvd.	1912	J.
Hastie, Charles B.	Saginaw, First Cong'l Church	1937	Central
Henry, John T.	Kalamazoo, 819 Davis St.	1921	G. T.
Hilliker, Clifford W.	Watervliet	1929	K.
Hoats, Elmer E.	Lansing, 1000 Eureka St.	1931	Central
Horning, Lawrence	Newaygo	1914	M.
Horst, George C.	Racine, Wisconsin, c/o J. I. Case Co.	1925	K.
Houser, Charles M.	Grand Rapids, 946 Giddings S. E.	1927	G. R.
Hughes, George E.	Brooklyn, N. Y., 156 St. Johns Place	1908	G. R.
Hummon, Serge F.	Rapid River	1945	Gl.
Humphrey, Edward H.	Saranac	1916	G. R.
Hunter, Wm. J.	Onondaga	1919	Central
Hyde, Ervin F.	Royal Oak, 702 Woodcrest Drive	1931	D.

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Inghram, Mark G.	Union City	1910	K.
Isaacs, L. Myrven	Gaylord	1913	C.
Jackson, Walter N.	Detroit 10, 8641 Grandmont Ave.	1943	D.
Jackson, H. Norman	Wyandotte, 2637 First St.	1924	D.
Janes, Harold T.	Omaha, Nebraska	1929	G. R.
Jensen, Frank T.	Grand Rapids, 106 Colfax N. E.	1932	G. R.
Jervis, Arthur E.	Whitehall	1918	M.
Jessup, Henry	Boston, Mass., 222 W. Pioneer Ave.	1921	D.
Johnson, Henry B.	Oxford, 28 Denison St.	1915	D.
Johnson, Lawrence O.	Coloma	1945	K.
Jorgenson, Theodore	Marne	1906	G. R.
Kaitschuck, Emil B.	Constantine	1908	K.
Kauffman, Albert W.	Alpena	1920	C.
Keith, Wm. A.	Kalamazoo, 2324 Crane Ave.	1926	K.
Kellogg, Harry	Clinton	1909	J.
Kemper, Robert C.	St. Joseph	1929	K.
Key, Carl R.	Detroit 23, 15050 Southfield Road	1935	D.
Klopp, Ward K.	Durand	1920	Central
Lash, Abram H.	Ann Arbor, 1414 Washington	1897	Central
Leggett, Thomas E.	Ann Arbor, 1420 Brooklyn Ave.	1897	J.
Locke, Robert J.	Kalamazoo, 422 Stuart Ave.	1903	K.
Lomas, George	Frankfort	1942	G. T.
Loomis, Horace B.	Fremont	1943	M.
Lusk, Alpheus M.	Seattle, Washington	1941	K.
Lyon, Otto J.	Novi	1911	Central
McCleary, Robert L.	Lansing, 1315 W. Hillsdale	1935	Central
McConnell, Herbert	Grand Rapids, R. D. 2	1898	G. R.
McConnell, Russell H.	Charlotte	1934	Central
McLouth, John D.	Addison	1926	J.
Martenson, Carl	Saginaw, First Cong'l Church	1932	Central
Maycroft, Horace E.	Saugatuck	1922	G. R.
Mayne, Joseph Q.	Detroit 26, 907 Washington Blvd. Bldg.	1931	D.
Mead, James C.	Jackson, 115 Third St.	1933	J.
Meikle, Alexander M.	Detroit 1, 33 E. Forest	1911	D.
Merriam, Charles W.	Claremont, Cal., 531 Harrison Ave.	1901	G. R.
Miles, Herbert A.	Galesburg	1904	K.
Miller, Carleton B.	Battle Creek, First Cong'l Church	1918	K.
Millington, E. J.	Reed City	1908	M.
Myers, Charles Haven	Detroit 2, 8715 Woodward Ave.	1909	D.
Myers, George Raymond	Chaplain, U. S. A.	1942	K.
Nadal, Thomas W.	Olivet	1941	Central
Nelson, Anthony A.	Rockford	1932	G. R.
Oberlin, Clarence D.	Muskegon, 1288 Montgomery Ave.	1913	M.
Oliver, Halley B.	Belding	1946	M.
Oliver, Samuel N.	Muskegon, 475 W. Webster	1920	M.
Olmstead, Duncan M.	Baldwin	1924	M.
Page, Oliver S.	Roscommon	1945	C.
Parker, Arthur J.	Central Lake	1919	C.

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Parker, G. Russell	Northport	1914	G. T.
Parr, Leonard A.	Ann Arbor	1904	J.
Parsons, St. Clare	Greenville	1908	G. R.
Pearse, Anne L.	U. S. WAVES	1937	J.
Peggs, Frederick J.	Detroit, 1027 Waterman	1919	D.
Pendleton, Charles L.	Shelby	1943	C.
Perrin, John D.	Athens	1903	K.
Pinch, Frederick	Grand Rapids, 240 Burton S. W.	1909	M.
Pollard, Harry	Grand Rapids, 225 S. Division	1910	G. R.
Pollard, June	Grand Rapids, 225 S. Division	1917	G. R.
Potts, Albert E.	Grand Rapids, 911 Franklin S. E.	1918	G. R.
Powley, Malcolm G.	Flint, 420 W. Fifth St.	1897	Central
Prentis, John H.	Detroit 2, 1230 Chicago Blvd	1903	D.
Prestidge, Wm. J.	Deerfield	1902	J.
Priest, Ozro E.	Clinton	1931	J.
Rahill, John W.	Port Huron, 715 Court St.	1916	E.
Rector, Marshall	Pittsford	1944	J.
Rose, John D.	Detroit, 8715 Woodward Ave.	1943	D.
Scheid, Charles W.	Grosse Pointe 30, 707 University	1933	D.
Scott, Harold	Miami, Florida	1940	Central
Schue, Albert C.	Breckenridge	1916	K.
Shelley, Warren S.	Saginaw, 2009 Handley St.	1909	K.
Shepherd, Geo. W.	Highland Park, 85 Grand Ave. W.	1925	D.
Skentelbury, Wm. H.	Chelsea, 211 E. Middle St.	1912	J.
Skidmore, Nathaniel	Flat Rock	1913	D.
Skidmore, Harold N.	East Lansing, 415 W. Grand River	1926	G. R.
Smith, Gerald A.	Pensacola, Florida	1938	Gl.
Speer, Gordon C.	Ypsilanti, 214 N. Adams St.	1910	J.
Sprague, Frederick P.	Vermontville	1896	Central
Stowe, Clayton H.	Chicago, Ill.	1933	C.
Stroh, Lucia M.	Salem	1914	J.
Swann, Arthur W.	New York 27, N. Y., 3041 Broadway	1945	G. R.
Swann, Walter M.	Grant	1902	G. R.
Swem, Boyd R.	Middletown, N. Y., 103 Grand Ave.	1933	G. R.
Tenhopen, Lawrence E.	South Haven	1929	K.
Thomlinson, W. Howard	Manistee, River St.	1904	G. T.
Thompson, Edward A.	Grand Rapids, Park Cong'l Church	1914	G. R.
Tillson, Lewis N.	Cadillac	1929	G. T.
Towne, Howard R.	Traverse City	1927	G. T.
Toy, Thomas	Hudson		J.
Treat, Roger Eddy	Detroit 23, 15050 Southfield Road	1916	D.
Turner, James M.	Deckerville	1911	Central
Turner, Dale E.	Grand Rapids Park	1943	G. R.
Turner, Jackson	Charlevoix	1941	G. T.
Vernon, Thomas S.	Armada	1936	E.
Wall, Arthur A.	Central Lake	1883	C.
Warren, Brooks A.	Richmond	1903	E.
Waters, Wayne L.	Hancock, 208 Harris St.	1908	L. S.
Watson, Wm. Thomas	New Baltimore	1937	E.

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Watson, Harold.....	Harrison.....	1937	Central
Wenger, Samuel B.....	Charlotte, 117½ W. Lawrence.....	1923	Central
Wilcox, Clyde H.....	St. Clair.....	1927	E.
Williams, Frederick.....	Baroda.....	1937	K.
Willits, John C.....	Muskegon, 336 Wood St.....	1891	M.
Winter, Egbert.....	Holland, 272 W. 14th.....	1923	G. R.
Wolf, Charles F.....	Ypsilanti, 1017 Washtenaw.....	1924	J.
Woodward, Wm. P.....	Chaplain, U. S. N. R.....	1921	K.
Woon, Norman G.....	Lowell.....	1917	G. R.
Wright, C. Floyd.....	New Troy.....	1943	K.
Young, Clarence.....	Blissfield.....	1915	E..

Licentiates

Virgil D. Allard, Dexter
 Seth Clay, Eau Claire
 Benjamin I. Davies, Portland
 Karl W. Wildt, Thompsonville

1946 CHURCH CLERKS

Ada—Mrs. Lenna Crampton
Addison—Mrs. Bernice Hard
Alamo—Mrs. Eula Holland, Kalamazoo 84, R. D. No. 4
Allegan—Franklin M. Douglas, 500 N. Cedar St.
Allenville—Mrs. Ethel C. Kelley
Almont—Wm. Muir
Alpena—Mrs. Ruth Huyck, 223 McKinley Ave.
Alpine Trinity—Mrs. Evelyn Dunnette, Grand Rapids, R. D. No. 2
Ann Arbor—Mrs. C. C. Meloche, 3060 Dover St., R. D. No. 5
Armada—Mrs. Harold E. Day
Athens—Miss Marjorie L. Holcomb
Atlanta—Mrs. Isabella Briley
Au Gres—Philip Heinrich, Jr.
Baldwin—Mrs. Sara Thomas
Bancroft—A. J. Anthony
Bangor—Mrs. Harold W. Freestone, 112 Arlington St.
Baroda—Miss Mabel G. Nold
Battle Creek—Millard Vandervoort, 145 Capital Ave., N.E.
Bay City—Miss Leah Burnett, 1601 Fourth St.
Bedford—Mrs. Charles Gallagher, Battle Creek, R. D. No. 4
Belding—Ambrose Spencer
Benton Harbor—Miss Jessie Morgan, 506 Edwards
Benzonia—Mrs. Edwin L. Nevius
Big Prairie—Mrs. Wesley Larkin, White Cloud, R. D. No. 1
Big Rapids—Mrs. Ethel White, 218 Pine St.
Big Rock—Mrs. Floyd Secrist, Atlanta
Bostwick Lake—Harold Kitson, Rockford, R. D. No. 2
Breckenridge—Mrs. Eva J. Douglas, Box 42
Bridgeport—Wm. McNally
Bridgman—Mrs. Mead S. Beacraft
Brimley—Mrs. Myrtle Nelson
Britton—Mrs. C. J. Smith
Bronson—Mrs. Alwyn Westaway
Buckley—Mrs. C. C. Campbell
Cadillac—Rae E. Johnston, 201 E. Nelson St.
Calumet—Walter Handke, 133 Woodland, Laurium
Carmel—Mrs. Leon Bracy, Charlotte, R. D. No. 2
Carson City—Mrs. Caroline Hallett
Central Lake—Mrs. Wm. Bowers
Charlevoix—Mrs. Angus Fochtman
Charlotte—Miss Cora Chappell, 319 W. Lovett
Cheboygan—Winston Reynolds
Chelsea—Mrs. Henry C. Schneider, 149 E. Middle St.
Clare—Mrs. Norris A. Elden, 304 E. Sixth St.
Clarksville—Miss Edna Richardson
Clinton—Cebert M. Halladay
Coloma—Miss L. Marie Furman
Columbus—Kenneth Fenton, Richmond, R. D.
Constantine—Mrs. Wm. Swartz
Cooks—Mrs. James Tebo

- Cooper—Miss Louise Snyder, R. R. No. 1, Kalamazoo 81
 Coral—Mrs. Wm. Thaler
 Covert—Miss Elizabeth Randall
 Crystal—Miss Alberta Shinabarger
 Detroit, Armenian—H. H. Serrajian, 845 Blaine Ave., Detroit 2
 Detroit, Bethel—Mrs. Ina Utti, 394 Glendale Ave., Detroit 3
 Detroit, Boulevard—Kenneth W. Munro, 18266 Garfield, Detroit 19
 Detroit, Brewster—George Willis, 18436 Pennington Drive (21)
 Detroit, Bushnell—Dr. Everett R. Phelps, 16835 Sunderland Road (19)
 Detroit, First—W. S. H. Seybolt, 15 E. Kirby, Detroit 1
 Detroit, Grosse Pointe—Miss Loreen E. Beattie, 5043 Yorkshire Ave., Detroit 24
 Detroit, Highland Park—R. L. Stevenson, 130 E. Buena Vista, Highland Park 3
 Detroit, Mayflower—Mrs. C. C. Bowman, 17185 Santa Barbara Drive (20)
 Detroit, Mt. Hope—James McArthur, 4263 Tyler, Detroit 4
 Detroit, North—Albert W. Honywill, Jr., 8715 Woodward Ave.
 Detroit, Plymouth—Mrs. Mabel Swan, 5312 Fischer Ave. (13)
 Dearborn, First—Mrs. E. Dalton, 6409 Calhoun
 Dearborn, Greenfield—Miss Augusta M. Ochs, 16154 Middlebury Drive
 Dexter—Mrs. Raymond Singer
 Douglas—John Tyler
 Dowagiac—Fred A. Young, 407 Orchard St.
 Drummond—Mrs. Frank Ledy
 Dundee—Earl Stowell
 Durand—Mrs. Dorothy Whelan, 608 N. Saginaw St.
 East Gilead—Emory W. Hilton, Bronson, R. D.
 East Lansing—Mrs. Grace E. Lyons, Peoples Church
 Eaton Rapids—Mrs. Emma Hawkins, 243 Dutton St.
 Eau Claire—H. Leo Jenkins, Berrien Center
 Eden—
 Eureka—Mrs. Charles Blank, St. Johns, R. D. No. 3
 Fayette—John Geniesse
 Flat Rock—Mrs. Wm. Ritchie
 Flint—Vernon A. Carlson, 1813 Lapeer St.
 Frankfort—Mrs. Sarah Smith
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 Grand Rapids, East—Arthur B. Cross, 537 Norwood Ave. S.E. (6)
 Grand Rapids, First (Park)—Mrs. Henry Voet, 1037 Elliott S.E. (7)
 Grand Rapids, Plymouth—Miss Anna M. Kellogg, 754 Fuller Ave., S.E. (6)
 Grand Rapids, Second—Mrs. Richard Vander Veer, Jr., 2051 Burton S.E. (5)
 Grand Rapids, Smith—Mrs. C. A. Houghton, 2112 Roos Ave., S.W. (9)

Grand Rapids, South—Miss Margaret Hester, 18 Home St. S.E. (7)
Grand Rapids, Wallin—Mrs. Selma Williams, 711 Grand Ave. (3)
Grandville—Mrs. Sophie Potter, 137 S. Wilson
Grant—Mrs. Frank Rogers
Grass Lake—Miss Edna E. Dorr
Greenville—Claud T. Tuck
Hancock—Warren M. Bell, 425 Hancock Ave.
Harrison—Miss Rhoba Gibson
Hart—Mrs. Eva Wood
Hersey—Mrs. Laura Steinhoff
Highland—Mrs. Clark Race, Milford, R. D. No. 2
Homestead—Mrs. Minnie Taylor, Beulah, R. D. No. 1
Honor—Mrs. Hazel Burrows
Hopkins—Mrs. Carl Hoffmaster
Hubbell—Leonard A. Barbeau, Lake Linden
Hudson—Mrs. A. L. Burdick
Hudsonville—Cornelius Visscher
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Ironton—Mrs. Clyde Ogden
Isabella—Mrs. Ruth Vinette, Ensign, R. D. No. 1
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Kalamazoo—Mrs. Paul Snauble, 2239 Springhill Drive (35)
Kalkaska—Mrs. Phyllis H. Gosling
Kinderhook—Floyd A. Foster, Coldwater, R. D. No. 2
Laingsburg—Harold R. Green, St. Johns, R. D. No. 5
Lake Linden—Mrs. Auburn Turner
Lake Odessa—Miss Edna Steele
Lakeview—Mrs. Ernest Snyder
Lansing, Mayflower—Mrs. M. O. Leyer, 2118 S. Logan St.
Lansing, Pilgrim—Miss Irene Boyles, 216 Jones St. (12)
Lansing, Plymouth—Grove M. Keith, 500 S. Jenison Ave.
Lawrence—Roland Arendt, Paw Paw, R. D. No. 2
Leonidas—Mrs. Mildred Camp
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Leslie—Mrs. W. A. Brownlee
Lewiston—Mrs. Golden Wheeler
Litchfield—Mrs. W. C. Marsh, 220 N. Chicago St.
Long Rapids—Mrs. Norma MacConnell, Lachine
Lowell—Mrs. C. H. Horn, 325 W. Main St.
Ludington—Mrs. Charles Peterson, 605 W. Haight St.
Luzerne—Mrs. O. C. Hagaman
Mackinac Island—Mrs. Herbert Benjamin
Manistee—Mrs. E. M. Hallock, 364 Second St.
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Mattawan—Donald J. Wilson
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Muskegon, McGraft—Mrs. W. W. Hall, 1706 Ruddiman St.

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New Baltimore—Miss Gussie E. Miller
New Haven—Edwin Blackmon, Richmond, R. D. No. 1
Northport—Miss Ethel Ranger
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Onondaga—J. Z. Ballard
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Owosso—Sherman Welch, 208 W. Oliver
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Pine Grove—Mrs. Wesley Smart, Sault Ste. Marie, R. D. No. 2, Box 90
Pittsford—Mrs. Otto Lemmlie
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Pullman—Mrs. Grace Burrows
Ransom—Miss Olive H. Moore, Osseo, R. D. No. 1
Rapid River—E. V. Gilland
Reed City—Mrs. D. A. Rosencrans
Richmond—Mrs. A. F. Lindke, 69 Main St.
Rochester—Miss Hazel Werth, 313 Castell Ave.
Rockford—Bruce Kutts
Rockwood—Miss Mabel Woodruff
Romeo—Mrs. L. Bedell, 180 Church St.
Roscommon—Mrs. Ronald Bird
Royal Oak—Mrs. Clara Warner, 139 Hilton Road, Ferndale 20
Saginaw—L. F. Bennett, 614 Fitzhugh
St. Clair—Mrs. Frank D. Beadle, 629 N. 5th St.
St. Johns—Mrs. St. Clare Pardee, 702 S. Oakland
St. Joseph—Martin Kasischke, 325 Lake Court
Salem, Second—Mrs. Ethel Bulson, 849 Blunk Ave.
Sandstone—Miss Bon Ella Bailey, Jackson, R. D. No. 5
Saranac—Mr. Pearl Smith
Saugatuck—Mrs. Harry Jackson, Box 185
Sawyer—Mrs. Rex Westhauser
Shelby—Muir Dickie
Sidney—Mrs. A. B. Courter
Six Lakes—Mrs. Isabel H. Wood
Somerset—Miss Catherine B. Smith
South Haven—C. O. Monroe, 322 Prospect St.
Stanton—Mrs. Inez B. Strouse
Suttons Bay—Gerald Selby
Texas—Carl C. Griffin, R. D. No. 7, Kalamazoo
Thompsonville—Mrs. Anna Cummins
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Vanderbilt—Edward Strolle, Box 643, Gaylord
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Victor—Roy A. Huyck, Ovid, R. D. No. 2
Watervliet—Mrs. Neva Pockett
Wayland—Mrs. Lulu Håbert, 126 Cedar St.
Wayne—Francis Crook, 35426 Ash St.
Webster—W. R. Scadin, Dexter, R. D. No. 2
West Adrian—Mrs. Roy Van Doren, Adrian, R. D. No. 4
Wheatland—Charles W. Letherer, Pittsford, R. D. No. 2
Whitehall—Mrs. George Zatzke, Box 605
Wolverine—Harry W. Sowton
Wyandotte—Mrs. Thomas La Joie, 31 W. Westfield, Ecorse 18
Ypsilanti—Miss Jane L. Mattison, 102 N. Hamilton

COMPARATIVE STATISTICAL EXHIBIT

Years	Churches	Minist'ers	MEMBERS							BAPTISMS		Number in Sunday Schools	Number in Y. P. S. C. E.	Families	Benevo- lences	Home Expend- itures
			Males	Females	Total	Gain	Loss	Absent	Adult	Infant						
1845	53	31	941	1,173	2,114	978					71	1,864				
1846	53	43			2,332	218					94	2,229				
1847	81	65			3,525	1						3,798				
1852	87	72			3,832	307						3,264				
1853	183	70			4,274	442						3,991				
1854	101	57			4,934	660						4,461				
1855	106	72			4,987	53										
1856	110	82			5,462	475										
1857	109	88			5,396		66									
1858	115	89			6,188	792										
1859	118	105			6,768	580					163	6,508				
1860	130	101	2,756	4,499	7,255	587		673	392	206	6,278					
1861	135	100	2,804	4,653	7,457	587		533	123	161	7,947					
1862	129	110	2,864	5,197	8,061	405		833	101	128	7,441					
1863	134	124	2,993	5,661	8,654	248		1,002	191	154	8,398					
1864	146	114	3,030	5,397	8,427	237		1,015	145	132	8,382					
1865	141	131	2,978	5,394	8,372	245	55	1,107	302	176	8,545					
1866	150	132	3,206	5,718	8,924	552		1,141	309	151	10,142					
1867	155	138	3,429	6,152	9,581	652		930	445	162	10,086					
1868	164	140	3,674	6,449	10,123	542		1,024	396	188	12,911					
1869	175	145	3,915	6,969	10,884	761		924	374	198	16,690					
1870	176	151	4,129	7,414	11,543	657		1,058	441	236	18,331					
1871	173	156	4,258	7,226	11,484	443		1,168	441	236	18,331					
1872	179	156	4,417	7,929	12,346	362		1,355	316	144	20,066					
1873	191	173	4,485	8,140	12,625	279		1,488	229	168	21,856					
1874	195	176	4,755	8,506	13,261	536		1,600	352	163	23,001					
1875	199	174	4,718	8,491	13,209			1,443	403	214	23,860					
1876	196	175	4,940	8,995	13,935	52		1,609	609	255	25,227					
1877	211	185	5,066	10,101	15,167	726		1,622	1,048	265	27,324					
1878	224	188	5,908	11,003	16,911	1,761		1,757	954	253	31,324					
1879	233	196	5,993	11,149	17,142	1,205		2,120	525	222	32,426					
1880	236	204	6,043	11,019	17,064	231		2,416	374	215	32,925					
1881	248	206	5,936	11,181	17,117	53	78	2,442	246	247	32,938					
1882	255	219	5,785	11,172	16,957		160	2,446	282	282	32,938					

COMPARATIVE STATISTICAL EXHIBIT—Continued

Years	Churches	Minist'ers	MEMBERS					BAPTISMS		Number in Y. P. S. C. E.	Families	Renovations	Home Missions				
			Males			Females		Total	Gain					Loss	Absent	BAPTISMS	
			Males	Females	Total	Adult	Infant										
1883.	263	213	5,975	11,534	17,509	522	443	279	23,863	.....	11,465	\$11,045	\$231,636			
1884.	265	248	6,233	11,997	18,230	721	502	257	25,707	.....	13,458	43,370	263,574			
1885.	269	245	6,651	12,419	19,070	440	578	327	25,969	.....	14,577	52,914	245,954			
1886.	281	241	6,649	13,156	19,805	1,135	837	340	27,864	.....	14,690	56,705	236,934			
1887.	288	242	7,149	14,089	21,238	1,433	1,106	331	30,092	.....	15,531	57,302	260,268			
1888.	298	257	7,250	14,482	21,732	394	627	243	30,879	.....	16,531	58,145	247,931			
1889.	311	273	7,440	15,204	22,644	1,012	851	352	31,413	.....	17,769	63,538	289,467			
1890.	314	262	7,512	15,715	23,227	583	850	379	32,000	4,641	18,072	62,679	289,467				
1891.	320	287	7,672	16,149	23,821	653	866	351	32,115	6,405	17,974	63,288	249,638				
1892.	321	290	7,900	16,771	24,671	850	866	439	36,711	6,609	18,854	69,542	249,638				
1893.	342	307	8,399	17,704	26,103	1,432	698	410	38,158	8,304	19,090	70,558	280,365				
1894.	345	310	9,037	19,011	28,148	2,045	1,862	532	40,032	9,505	21,077	70,822	309,565				
1895.	345	302	9,676	20,346	29,922	1,789	1,512	600	42,939	11,507	21,866	74,723	319,565				
1896.	347	308	9,826	20,774	30,600	1,678	1,141	584	41,940	13,769	22,828	69,793	308,388				
1897.	347	291	10,282	21,941	31,622	1,022	1,102	595	42,634	14,902	22,708	71,702	279,713				
1898.	344	292	10,463	21,910	32,377	755	892	536	42,058	14,906	22,062	70,552	269,145				
1899.	341	291	10,369	21,693	32,182	161	658	518	40,780	13,078	21,523	69,358	285,368				
1900.	340	305	10,363	21,520	32,183	161	658	518	40,780	13,078	21,523	69,358	285,368				
1901.	340	303	10,371	21,693	32,183	161	658	518	40,780	13,078	21,523	69,358	285,368				
1902.	344	307	10,171	22,776	32,647	678	638	690	43,422	10,902	21,872	70,354	319,066				
1903.	346	301	10,492	22,776	32,647	678	638	690	43,422	10,902	21,872	70,354	319,066				
1904.	344	281	10,285	22,702	32,854	217	507	615	43,673	8,799	25,801	70,354	319,066				
1905.	356	257	10,132	22,702	32,854	217	507	615	43,673	8,799	25,801	70,354	319,066				
1906.	356	257	10,132	22,702	32,854	217	507	615	43,673	8,799	25,801	70,354	319,066				
1907.	356	257	10,132	22,702	32,854	217	507	615	43,673	8,799	25,801	70,354	319,066				
1908.	356	257	10,132	22,702	32,854	217	507	615	43,673	8,799	25,801	70,354	319,066				
1909.	356	257	10,132	22,702	32,854	217	507	615	43,673	8,799	25,801	70,354	319,066				
1910.	356	257	10,132	22,702	32,854	217	507	615	43,673	8,799	25,801	70,354	319,066				
1911.	356	257	10,132	22,702	32,854	217	507	615	43,673	8,799	25,801	70,354	319,066				
1912.	356	257	10,132	22,702	32,854	217	507	615	43,673	8,799	25,801	70,354	319,066				
1913.	356	257	10,132	22,702	32,854	217	507	615	43,673	8,799	25,801	70,354	319,066				
1914.	356	257	10,132	22,702	32,854	217	507	615	43,673	8,799	25,801	70,354	319,066				
1915.	356	257	10,132	22,702	32,854	217	507	615	43,673	8,799	25,801	70,354	319,066				
1916.	356	257	10,132	22,702	32,854	217	507	615	43,673	8,799	25,801	70,354	319,066				

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Year	Place	Moderator	Scribe	Preacher
1842	Jackson	Rev. M. Harrison	Rev. H. S. Hamilton	Rev. H. S. Hamilton
1843	Grass Lake	Rev. O. C. Thompson	Rev. Luther Shaw	Rev. Joseph Harris
1844	Marshall	Rev. S. Cochrane	Rev. Harvey Hyde	Rev. O. C. Thompson
1845	Detroit	Rev. Harvey Hyde	Rev. H. L. Hammond	Rev. Sylvester Cochrane
1846	Dexter	Rev. H. L. Hammond	Rev. G. L. Foster	Rev. Harvey Hyde
1847	Jackson	Rev. G. L. Foster	Rev. C. Lockwood	Rev. H. L. Hammond
1848	Ann Arbor	Rev. L. Smith Hobart	Rev. Harvey Hyde	Rev. G. L. Foster
1849	Dexter	Rev. C. Lockwood	Rev. Samuel Sessions	Rev. A. S. Kedzie
1850	Kalamazoo	Rev. H. D. Kitchell	Rev. L. F. Waldo	Rev. C. Lockwood
1851	Clinton	Rev. A. S. Kedzie	Rev. L. F. Waldo	Rev. H. D. Kitchell
1852	Jackson	Rev. P. R. Hurd	Rev. W. B. Williams	Rev. A. S. Kedzie
1853	Ann Arbor	Rev. J. H. Benton	Rev. W. B. Williams	Rev. P. R. Hurd
1854	Detroit	Rev. J. D. Pierce	Rev. Edizur Andrus	Rev. Leonard Bacon
1855	Kalamazoo	Rev. Thomas Jones	Rev. F. P. Woodbury	Rev. John D. Pierce
1856	Jackson	Rev. Hiram Elmer	Rev. Orange H. Spoor	Rev. Thomas Jones
1857	Owosso	Rev. Edward Taylor	Rev. Warren F. Day	Rev. E. Taylor
1858	Adrian	Rev. Joseph Anderson	Rev. E. G. Chaddock	Rev. Hiram Elmer
1859	Detroit	Rev. Asa Mahan	Rev. J. Wing Allen	Rev. J. Anderson
1860	Port Huron	Rev. S. S. N. Greeley	Rev. D. M. Bartwell	Rev. Asa Mahan
1861	Ann Arbor	Rev. H. A. Read	Rev. E. M. Bartlett	Rev. S. S. N. Greeley
1862	Grand Rapids	Rev. G. M. Tutthill	Rev. L. Smith Hobart	Rev. H. A. Read
1863	Union City	Rev. John P. Fitch	Rev. H. L. Hammond	Rev. Geo. M. Tutthill
1864	Detroit	Rev. James S. Hoyt	Rev. G. M. Tutthill	Rev. John P. Fitch
1865	Battle Creek	Rev. W. W. Streeter	Rev. Hiram Elmer	Rev. S. S. Hoyt
1866	Jackson	Rev. Hiram Elmer	Rev. Henry Bates	Rev. W. W. Streeter
1867	Kalamazoo	Rev. Wm. P. Russell	Rev. Henry Bates	Rev. Henry Bates
1868	Port Huron	Rev. N. J. Morrison	Rev. P. R. Hurd	Rev. N. J. Morrison
1869	East Saginaw	Rev. Oliver S. Dean	Rev. P. R. Hurd	Rev. W. P. Russell
1870	Grand Rapids	Rev. Jesse W. Hough	Dea. Dexter Mussey	Rev. N. J. Morrison
1871	Romeo	Rev. J. G. W. Cowles	Mr. Henry S. Clubb	Rev. O. S. Dean
1872	Hudson	Rev. William Platt	Rev. P. R. Hurd	Rev. J. W. Hough
1873	Lansing	Rev. Orange H. Spoor	Rev. P. R. Hurd	Rev. H. L. Hubbell
1874	Adrian	Rev. Henry L. Hubbell	Rev. B. D. Conkling	Rev. W. D. Love
1875	Kalamazoo	Rev. W. D. Love	Rev. J. Homer Parker	Rev. J. S. Hoyt
1876	Pontiac	Rev. Warren F. Day	Rev. James L. Patton	Rev. J. L. Patton
1877	Ann Arbor	Hon. J. Webster Childs	Hon. G. K. Newcomb	Rev. Zachary Eddy
1878	East Saginaw	Rev. J. Morgan Smith	Rev. C. O. Brown	Rev. H. Q. Butterfield
1879	Grand Rapids	Rev. A. Hastings Ross	Rev. Lucius O. Lee	Rev. W. H. Ryder
1880	Detroit	Rev. Miner W. Fairfield	Dea. E. F. Grabil	Rev. Leroy Warren
1881	Charlotte	Hon. Wm. Chamberlain	Dea. Amos Dresser, Jr.	Rev. W. F. Day
1882	Greenville	Rev. Moses Smith	Rev. J. P. Sanderson	Rev. J. W. Hough
1883	Manistee	Rev. Wolcott B. Williams	Rev. W. S. Bugbey	Rev. T. P. Prudden
1884	Port Huron	Rev. James L. Patton	Rev. G. H. Granniss	Rev. Franklin Noble

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Year	Place	Moderator	Scribe	Preacher
1885	Jackson	Rev. H. Q. Butterfield	Rev. O. B. Waters	Rev. Martin L. D'Ooge
1886	Flint	Rev. E. B. Fairfield	Dea. Geo. M. Lane	Rev. J. F. Loe
1887	Lausling	Hon. Byron M. Cutcheon	Dea. D. P. Breed	Rev. R. M. Higgins
1888	St. Joseph	Rev. Wm. A. Waterman	Rev. William C. Allen	Rev. W. S. Bueley
1889	East Saginaw	Rev. Isaac W. McKeever	Rev. J. Monroe Lyon	Rev. D. M. Rusk
1890	Muskegon	Rev. Franklin Noble	Rev. Elsha W. Miller	Rev. A. R. Merriam
1891	Ann Arbor	Rev. Charles H. Beale	Rev. Henry Marsh	Rev. M. M. Martin
1892	Jackson	Rev. E. L. Wright	Rev. Silas L. Smith	Rev. Wm. H. Davis
1893	Owosso	Dr. James Gallup	Rev. Orange C. Bailey	Rev. Geo. R. Wallace
1894	Kalamazoo	Rev. John W. Bradshaw	Rev. Edwin S. Shaw	Rev. J. W. Bradshaw
1895	Olivet	Rev. Dan. F. Bradley	Rev. B. F. Aldrich	Rev. C. H. Taintor
1896	Baginaw	Rev. Heman P. DeForest	Rev. F. W. Griffiths	Rev. Washington Gladden
1897	Grand Rapids	Rev. Archibald Hadden	Rev. E. B. Allen	Rev. A. M. Brodie
1898	Alpena	Rev. Moses M. Martin	Rev. T. H. Warner	Rev. W. G. Sherry
1899	Ypsilanti	Rev. Bastian Smits	Rev. Carl S. Jones	Rev. Dan. F. Bradley
1900	St. Joseph	Hon. William H. Strong	Rev. Geo. Benford	Rev. Nehemiah Boynton
1901	St. Johns	Rev. Frederick W. Bush	Rev. William C. Allen	Rev. R. W. McLaughlin
1902	Cadillac	Rev. Demas Cochlin	Rev. W. E. Stevens	Rev. H. P. DeForest
1903	Detroit	Hon. C. A. Gower	Rev. Wm. H. Walker	Rev. N. S. Bradley
1904	South Haven	Rev. C. S. Patton	Rev. M. Lee Grant	Rev. Frank Hugh Foster
1905	Flint	Rev. William H. Cady	Rev. A. H. Stoneman	Rev. Benjamin H. Burt
1906	Hancock	Rev. William H. Warren	Rev. Frank Blomfield	Rev. G. G. Atkins
1907	Lausling	Rev. J. Sidney Gould	Rev. Henry W. Hunt	Rev. C. H. Beale
1908	Muskegon	Rev. J. Sidney Gould	Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoft	Rev. T. R. McRobertis
1909	Ludington	Rev. Mac H. Wallace	Rev. Wm. C. Allen	Rev. W. H. Walker
1910	Port Huron	Rev. B. H. Burt	Rev. M. Sweet	Rev. Frank Hugh Foster
1911	Alpena	Mr. F. E. Bogart	Rev. W. S. Steensma	Rev. J. S. Williamson
1912	Cadillac	Rev. L. W. Stuart	Rev. John Lambrecht	Rev. W. J. Campbell
1913	Grand Rapids	Rev. H. S. Mills	Rev. E. R. Nathan	Rev. J. P. Hugot
1914	Traverse City	Rev. E. W. Bishop	Rev. V. R. Brown	Rev. J. P. Hugot
1915	Bay City	Rev. N. S. Bradley	Rev. Geo. Benford	Rev. Lord C. Douglas
1916	Jackson	Rev. J. P. Hugot	Rev. W. E. Steensma	Rev. N. S. Bradley
1917	Benton Harbor	Rev. M. J. Sweet	Rev. J. W. Hadden	Rev. E. W. Bishop
1918	Pontiac	Rev. A. C. Diefenbach	Rev. Percy V. Davis	Rev. J. Twiss Jones
1919	Flint	Rev. U. G. Rich	Rev. Frederick Brink	Rev. G. G. Atkins
1920	Battle Creek	Rev. Jonathan Turner	Rev. John P. Jockinsen	Rev. J. P. Mackenzie
1921	Ann Arbor	Rev. St. Clare Parsons	Mr. Wm. H. Markle	Rev. A. E. Collins
1922	St. Joseph	Rev. W. S. Steensma	Rev. H. A. Blanning	Rev. W. E. Collins
1923	Charlotte	Rev. Paul H. Yourd	Rev. P. A. Arnold	Rev. A. E. Collins
1924	Cadillac	Mr. C. J. Chandler	Rev. C. M. Burkholder	Rev. C. W. Merriam
1925	Grand Rapids	Rev. Chester B. Emerson	Rev. Percy C. Jesson	Rev. Ozora S. Davis
1926	Rochester	Rev. Howard A. Blanning	Rev. Lawrence Horning	Rev. Carleton B. Miller
1927				

MEMORANDA OF THE ANNUAL MEETINGS—Concluded

Year	Place	Moderator	Scribe	Preacher
1928	Alpena	Rev. Bernard G. Mattson	Rev. Ray T. Caldwell	Rev. J. W. G. Ward
1929	Benton Harbor	Rev. Harvey C. Colburn	Rev. Stanley W. Hyde	Rev. Carl Pettit
1930	Port Huron	Rev. Aeneas J. Mackenzie	Rev. Harold T. Jones	Rev. Albert W. Palmer
1931	Detroit	Rev. John W. G. Ward	Rev. Howard R. Towne	Rev. Charles R. Brown
1932	Traverse City	Rev. Herbert McConnell	Rev. Albert Davis	Rev. Roger Eddy Treat
1933	Kalamazoo	Rev. Herbert McConnell	Rev. Allen S. Jones	Rev. Warren W. Pickett
1934	Saginaw	Rev. S. E. Kaley	Rev. H. E. MacInt	Rev. Samuel N. Oliver
1935	Jackson	Rev. James King	Rev. W. H. Skenebury	Rev. Frank J. Scribner
1936	Grand Rapids	Rev. J. N. Olin	Rev. Arthur E. Gay	Rev. Fred Field Goodsell
1937	Owosso	Rev. John D. Mac Naughton	Mr. Raymond J. Leffingwell	Rev. Charles Haven Myers
1938	Manistee	Rev. C. M. Burkholder	Rev. John T. Henry	Rev. Edwin W. Bishop
1939	Lansing	Rev. E. A. Thompson	Rev. Foshberg Hughes	Rev. Howard A. Blanning
1940	Port Huron	Rev. Albert B. Eby	Rev. Donald R. Evans	Rev. Albert D. Stauffacher
1941	Muskegon	Rev. Warren W. Pickett	Rev. Earl E. G. Linden	Rev. St. Clare Parsons
1942	Jackson	Dr. Wm. G. Willard	Rev. Leo V. Barker	Rev. Alfred W. Swan
1943	Grand Rapids	Rev. A. M. Melkle	Rev. Henry L. Rust	Rev. Rex O. Holman
1944	Battle Creek	Rev. Carlton S. Miller	Rev. Ward K. Klopp	Rev. Edward A. Thompson
1945	Lansing	Rev. Nathaniel Skidmore	Rev. Russell E. Myers	Rev. Paul H. Clark
1946	Kalamazoo	Rev. Gordon C. Spear	Rev. Charles B. Hastie	Rev. George W. Shepherd

Registrars

Rev. L. Smith Hobart, 1842-1847; Rev. H. L. Hammond, 1847-1848; Rev. G. L. Foster, 1848-1851; Rev. H. D. Kitchell, 1851-1854
 Rev. L. Smith Hobart, 1854-1862; Rev. Philo R. Hurd, 1862-1883; Rev. John P. Sanderson, 1883-1889; Rev. Leroy Warren, 1889-1892
 Rev. John P. Sanderson, 1892-1908; Rev. William Roscoe Kedzie, 1908-1909; Rev. William A. Minty, 1909-1910; Mr. C. A. Grower, 1910-1912
 Rev. J. W. Sutherland, 1912-1931; Rev. Stephen A. Lloyd, 1931-41; Rev. Harold N. Skidmore, 1941-

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★ 1 Ada	1849	yNorman G. Woon, §	'17-'45	24	59	19	6	17	—	—	—	—	40	—	22	16	17	0	55	6	932	2,500	
★ 2 Addison	1884	[James Stanley Watts, Bapt.]	'45	141	100	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,000	
★ 3 Alamo, Kalamazoo, R.D.	1867	Roger W. Gough	'32-'41	8	37	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	45	25	10	7	8	0	25	260	1,273	3,750	
★ 4 Allegan	1850	(Inactive)		111	277	51	—	—	—	—	—	—	105	25	165	117	130	24	436	300	6,132	31,000	
★ 5 Allenville	1882	Carl Hubert Anderson	'42-'41	112	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	160	20	144	0	0	0	0	0	—	1,200	
★ 6 Almont	1838	yAlbert W. Kaufman, r	'20-'43	61	180	10	12	16	3	9	—	—	110	15	206	197	245	15	663	267	4,613	42,500	
★ 7 Alpena	1862	Leonard A. Parr	'08-'39	21	74	10	1	1	1	1	—	—	40	20	124	88	97	50	359	92	1,274	40,000	
★ 8 Alpine, Trinity, a	1909	yHerbert McCorn, ll	'03-'37	275	692	100	16	30	5	6	11	—	102	15	480	344	377	23	1,224	520	12,536	150,000	
★ 9 Ann Arbor	1848	John D. Perrin	'40-'42	79	191	50	7	17	5	4	9	—	62	20	118	84	108	37	347	97	2,604	12,500	
★ 10 Armada	1878	yClark G. Adams	'03-'39	77	205	70	1	1	2	0	2	—	76	90	12	170	100	55	65	290	45	5,511	12,000
★ 11 Athens	1896	(Inactive)		12	38	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	66	20	14	11	0	35	32	1,446	3,800	
★ 12 Atlanta	1911	Duncan M. Olmstead	'24-'44	30	89	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	308	6,000	
★ 13 Autwin	1887	yWard K. Kuopp, §	'20-'42	67	136	45	—	—	—	—	—	—	75	—	—	111	79	87	13	290	167	3,699	9,500
★ 14 Baiton	1887	C. Elliott Gardner	'43-'45	51	130	35	6	9	—	—	—	—	81	10	60	43	47	56	206	37	1,280	13,500	
★ 15 Bancroft	1883	yFrederick Williams	'37-'50	39	90	6	2	5	7	3	10	—	45	—	—	40	28	31	2	101	5	1,585	7,100
★ 16 Barab	1892	{ Charles R. Miller	'37-'50	64	129	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	15	15	0	50	0	—	13,000
★ 17 Baroda	1892	{ Orville B. Demond, b	'35-'44	460	1,372	363	83	116	21	23	144	—	800	150	700	500	356	394	426	2,779	25,779	154,000	
★ 18 Battle Creek	1836	Robert M. Banksdale, t	'35-'41	147	363	28	26	29	3	5	18	147	167	26	—	120	85	119	100	424	772	11,881	47,000
★ 19 Bay City	1875	Halley B. Oliver	'46-'46	140	188	5	8	21	0	—	—	—	40	—	—	30	21	23	0	0	0	—	8,000
★ 20 Bedford	1848	{ Howard A. Blanning	'14-'27	40	88	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12,700
★ 21 Bedding	1892	{ Donald S. Bourne, Asso.	'33-'46	320	842	60	—	28	12	10	52	300	350	100	740	526	588	138	1,992	3,437	5,300	278,000	
★ 22 Benton Harbor	1856	Philip D. Dutton	'16-'43	158	428	122	12	18	3	5	8	160	173	122	662	662	575	520	176	1,933	588	3,702	31,500
★ 23 Benzonia	1890	(Inactive)		114	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	500
★ 24 Bethel	1887	[Garth D. Smith, Meth.]	'45	6	22	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	22	10	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	1,250
★ 25 Big Prairie, d	1887	Coral F. Badger	'14-'34	110	303	15	21	31	3	7	18	160	140	78	200	150	150	200	700	170	5,471	30,000	
★ 26 Big Rapids	1876	yClark G. Adams	'19-'42	7	21	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	12	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	488	2,700
★ 27 Big Rock, Atlanta, R.D.	1887	yAnthony A. Nelson	'32-'45	44	102	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	75	18	117	47	34	37	60	178	123	1,963	7,000
★ 28 Bozwick Lake, e	1846	(Inactive)		12	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4,000
★ 29 Bradley	1879	yAlbert C. Schue	'16-'46	32	95	—	1	1	2	3	5	—	100	—	—	20	14	15	0	50	0	780	27,500
★ 30 Breckenridge	1881	{ J. Herbert Spencer, q	'18-'30	28	75	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	120	—	—	42	30	33	0	105	30	2,303	10,500
★ 31 Bridgeport	1868	yFrederick Williams, §	'37-'30	18	67	16	12	13	1	1	2	50	75	20	—	8	6	6	0	20	298	2,000	7,000
★ 32 Bridgman	1879	yLisle G. Ketchum, Meth.]	'44	3	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	95	—	—	30	21	24	0	75	0	700	7,000
★ 33 Brimley	1879	Gerald G. Hallauer	'46-'45	66	142	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	75	—	—	70	51	54	10	185	33	2,600	15,000
★ 34 Britton	1849																						

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★ 35	Bronson	1888	gKarl W. Wildt, Lic., \$	'45	20	59	7	1	4	2	2	2	4	40	110	15	56	40	44	12	152	129	3,640	*20,000
★ 36	Buckley	1906	(Inactive)		10	39	19	—	—	1	0	2	2	15	20	—	16	11	13	10	0	39	729	*6,000
★ 37	Butternut	1892	Lewis N. Tillson		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	*5,700
★ 38	Cadillac	1883		'29-'43	95	213	28	5	7	3	4	7	17	100	100	100	106	78	83	109	374	85	5,833	*78,000
★ 39	Calumet	1873			140	339	—	1	3	14	3	17	—	70	—	—	157	117	123	20	417	10	4,432	*25,000
★ 40	Carmel, Charlotte, R.D.	1882			116	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	0	0	—	1,800
★ 41	Carson City	1872	gL. Edward Dull, \$	'13-'42	27	73	20	10	11	1	5	18	40	30	30	—	16	11	13	0	40	0	2,319	*20,000
★ 42	Central Lake	1884	gJ. Parker	'19-'41	37	96	20	2	2	2	4	3	7	60	80	40	40	29	31	1	100	125	2,425	*8,500
★ 43	Charlevoix	1882	gRussell H. McConnell, f	'34-'35	71	191	25	2	2	2	4	3	7	63	77	140	100	110	110	1	351	153	945	*23,000
★ 44	Chassell	1851	(Inactive)		229	550	154	50	114	8	7	15	120	134	77	381	112	5	381	413	7,525	—	90,000	x
★ 45	Cheboygan	1890	gHerbert B. Storey, a	'14-'45	51	154	25	10	10	6	2	8	—	50	—	—	18	18	14	0	0	0	2,680	*30,000
★ 46	Chelsoa	1849	William H. Skentelbury	'12-'42	67	168	33	12	12	2	1	3	130	124	12	600	100	130	171	500	434	2,330	2,500	*21,500
★ 47	Clare	1872			118	37	40	7	13	8	9	17	100	200	—	140	145	110	198	593	432	4,740	*30,000	
★ 48	Clarksville	1893	Harry C. Kellogg	'09-'45	125	241	40	7	13	8	9	17	100	200	—	140	145	110	198	593	432	4,740	*30,000	
★ 49	Clinton	1843	Lawrence O. Johnson	'45-'44	67	167	32	6	—	1	2	3	30	65	20	48	34	38	7	127	105	4,021	*12,500	
★ 50	Coloma	1851	gBrooks A. Warren	'03-'44	28	54	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	35	—	60	57	63	19	219	31	797	2,500	
★ 51	Columbus, Richmond	1888	Emil B. Katschuck	'08-'44	41	123	33	—	—	12	1	1	2	42	—	150	62	47	0	150	62	1,772	2,500	
★ 52	Constantine	1888	gSerge F. Hummon, \$	'45-'45	4	18	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	—	8	0	7	8	0	25	0	436	2,500
★ 53	Cooks	1897	gPercy L. Graham, \$	'23-'44	26	75	17	2	4	1	2	3	54	29	16	37	27	30	0	94	11	3,872	*14,500	
★ 54	Cooper, Kalamazoo, R.D.	1843	William E. Goltz, \$	'19-'34	110	37	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	50	20	48	0	0	0	0	0	—	*3,000	
★ 55	Coral	1872			41	117	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	11	16	0	43	26	2,965	*8,000
★ 56	Coral	1872			41	117	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	11	16	0	43	26	2,965	*8,000
★ 57	Crystal, Fed.	1870			28	151	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,400	*2,400
★ 58	Crystal	1870			28	151	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,400	*2,400
★ 59	Detroit, Armenton	1870	Puasat S. Levonian	'15-'45	65	170	25	—	—	1	2	7	28	150	70	35	0	0	0	0	20	850	3,000	*31,000
★ 60	" Bethel, Finnish	1943	[Nillo Tuomikoski]	'21-'40	17	40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	—	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
★ 61	" Boulevard	1897	James S. Caskey	'31-'44	176	435	23	32	59	8	4	12	137	123	45	185	178	653	185	1,058	531	8,209	20,000	
★ 62	" Brewster-Pilgrim	1926	Charles F. Goudey, r	'34-'44	349	724	31	67	99	7	17	24	372	297	79	233	46	1,310	253	46	1,310	222	12,191	267,000
★ 63	" Bushnell	1926	{ Roger Eddy Test { Carl R. Key, Asso.	'16-'26 '35-'44	583	1,360	30	64	153	14	11	25	717	1,000	622	3,980	770	895	795	3,980	1,122	28,142	28,142	125,000
★ 64	" 1st	1844	Walton E. Cole	'28-'45	260	694	25	8	16	12	15	129	250	100	30	32,680	530	388	134	3,732	6,400	8,000	450,000	—
★ 65	" Grosse Pointe	1940	Charles W. Scheid	'33-'40	106	264	23	13	47	1	5	6	147	175	28	6,142	66	72	0	280	575	6,046	—	
★ 66	" Highland Park	1908	George W. Shepherd	'25-'45	145	343	43	11	17	3	4	55	180	85	38	6,165	57	63	10	295	1,598	9,749	*140,000	
★ 67	" Mayflower	1930	Robert E. Burtt	'35-'37	310	739	43	72	111	2	7	10	273	351	337	6,533	322	320	204	1,379	1,762	11,574	*68,500	
★ 68	" Mt. Hope	1888	George E. Drew	'32-'38	254	567	40	16	42	4	14	18	220	350	120	6,416	225	249	37	927	750	12,177	105,000	
★ 69	" North Woodward	1866	{ Charles Haven Myers, f { John D. Rose, Asso.	'06-'33 '43-'44	624	1,537	—	18	36	16	32	55	—	260	130	84,006	1,886	895	855	7,342	6,289	30,903	*427,081	
★ 70	" Plymouth, Colored	1920	Horace A. White	'32-'37	250	750	—	7	55	5	0	5	—	60	75	6,116	11	13	0	140	30	13,719	50,000	
★ 71	Dearborn, 1st	1929	{ T. Thornley Eddy, U. B. { Myron R. Bunnell	'45-'46 '32-'43	123	263	3	37	45	2	8	29	102	118	20	625	0	0	0	50	439	2,707	*44,750	
★ 72	Dearborn, 1st	1929	{ T. Thornley Eddy, U. B. { Myron R. Bunnell	'45-'46 '32-'43	123	263	3	37	45	2	8	29	102	118	20	625	0	0	0	50	439	2,707	*44,750	
★ 73	" Greenfield	1943			46	130	12	12	38	0	3	—	—	70	25	6,170	100	110	60	430	7	7,000	*44,750	

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★ 74 Dexter	1850	Virgil D. Allard, <i>Lic.</i>	'45	9	20	—	—	—	6	1	5	6	—	50	—	40	45	26	23	116	90	2,267	2,500
★ 75 Douglas	1853	Albert Dawe	'16-'43	42	115	20	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	40	—	30	21	24	5	98	0	2,509	*15,000
★ 76 Dowagiac, Fed.	1850	Don L. De Coursey	'40-'43	140	451	90	9	26	7	8	15	150	259	50	—	59	92	46	0	197	222	7,564	*31,000
★ 77 Drummond	1853	Kenneth P. Griswold	'27	6	17	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	60	—	12	12	8	0	29	133	3,621	*1,000
★ 78 Dundee	1857	Myrtle Rayner, <i>Lay.</i>	'37-'45	44	152	11	4	7	3	4	7	7	—	115	—	86	62	68	101	317	185	3,686	*20,000
★ 79 Durand	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 80 East Gilead	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 81 East Lansing, a	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 82 East Nelson	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 83 Eaton Rapids	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 84 Eau Claire	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 85 Eden, Be. lah, R.D.	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 86 Eureka, St. Johns, R.D.	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 87 Fayette	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 88 Flat Rock	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 89 Flint	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 90 Frankfort	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 91 Fredonia	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 92 Freeland	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 93 Fremont	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 94 Fruitport	1856	Ward K. Klopp	'20-'40	121	266	50	30	37	2	3	5	5	—	135	—	102	71	107	351	280	4,925	*33,300	
★ 95 Galesburg	1852	Herbert A. Mills	'04-'41	12	128	22	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	65	—	16	11	13	0	40	46	1,712	*1,000
★ 96 Garden	1850	Serge F. Hummon, §	'45-'45	32	39	5	15	1	1	1	2	—	—	10	—	14	10	11	5	40	0	180	*2,000
★ 97 Gaylord	1877	L. Myrren Isaacs	'13-'35	33	150	5	4	5	2	4	6	45	54	30	84	57	66	0	207	181	2,070	*10,900	
★ 98 Gibraltar	1941	Edward L. Hughes, d §	'09-'42	18	150	6	11	16	3	3	6	—	—	72	—	57	1	2	0	10	119	883	—
★ 99 Grand Blanc	1833	Motier C. Bullock	'05-'45	10	136	36	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	104	14	61	45	48	5	159	91	2,639	*25,000
★ 100 Grand Junction	1851	—	'00-'45	10	22	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	—	5	4	6	5	15	15	117	8,800
★ 101 Grand Lodge	1854	Gordon L. Giddings	'40-'42	135	366	53	8	12	3	3	5	131	150	110	100	71	79	0	250	175	6,996	*13,000	
★ 102 Grand Rapids, §	1925	Edwin Richard E. ans	'10-'37	30	289	12	22	27	2	1	7	2	20	60	160	114	143	100	517	378	4,750	*23,400	
★ 103 " " Constock Park	1910	Herbert McConn II	'98-'43	35	100	18	4	5	1	1	2	45	20	100	71	79	0	250	175	6,996	*13,000		
★ 104 " " East	1894	Charles M. Hous.e, r	'27-'44	855	1,602	100	101	216	8	24	145	550	545	390	4,610	1,207	1,285	370	300	15	1,950	*3,500	
★ 105 " " St. Park	1836	Edward A. Thompson	'14-'33	972	2,531	151	132	245	17	50	84	898	611	536	2,060	1,895	2,105	108	6,768	4,424	60,994	315,000	
★ 106 " " Plymouth	1892	Harold T. Jaues, Asso. g	'20-'43	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
★ 107 " " 2nd	1876	Albert E. Potts, r	'18-'33	118	277	27	24	30	5	2	19	120	110	12	140	110	110	50	410	55	6,570	*28,500	
★ 108 " " Smith	1877	Frank T. Jensen, r	'32-'38	261	652	55	21	55	8	6	14	252	498	50	500	475	275	210	1,950	988	10,088	*23,000	
★ 109 " " South	1857	Harold Butler	'37-'39	100	295	16	22	24	3	—	94	140	195	85	150	107	118	0	375	5,474	3,540	*33,000	
★ 110 " " Wallin	1876	Harold McConnell, g	'38-'39	359	790	50	61	95	14	5	29	324	355	115	540	385	452	306	1,493	579	12,198	*27,500	
★ 111 Grandville	1858	Earl F. Collins, r	'19-'41	111	233	14	18	2	9	11	127	139	133	15	133	138	162	10	493	434	7,426	*3,500	
★ 112 " "	1858	William F. Heldstab, d §	'18-'44	57	156	1	1	11	5	3	8	—	—	85	15	117	81	83	12	293	20	1,867	*2,000

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									D.	L.	T.	Am. Board	Home Board												
★112	Grant	1894	Walter M. Swann, r	'02-'45	29	114		16	26	0	1	1	60	135	24	16	16	23	24	311	2,510	*10,500			
★113	Grass Lake, Fed.	1830	Marlin B. Hinkle, Chr.-l	'28-'46	34	99		5	37	8	10	1	4	109	175	15	54	70	15	342	3,626	*15,000			
★114	Greenville	1852	St. Clare Parsons	'08-'11	190	437		24	37	10	11	3	21	180	245	60	285	60	60	1,005	800	*64,000			
★115	Hancock	1860	Wayne L. Waters	'08-'40	119	411		179	11	14	5	3	8	81	78	12	169	362	298	632	298	*63,631			
★116	Harrison	1887	Harold Watson	'37-'44	12	59		15	15	17	2	2	5	45	55	25	15	10	10	35	0	1,307	*15,000		
★117	Hart	1868	John R. Gehring	'38-'39	63	214		20	15	15	4	5	9	128	100	25	160	114	136	142	552	36	6,710	*33,500	
★118	Heresy	1868	Ernest J. Millington, §	'08-'46	16	95		7	1	2	—	—	3	50	16	10	20	14	16	60	0	1,000	*3,000		
★119	Hillandale	1884	Otto J. Lyon, §	'11-'39	16	46		7	1	1	—	—	3	21	—	—	39	29	30	5	103	20	1,386	*6,500	
★120	Honestaad, Beulah, R.D.	1894	Thomas Ainslie, §	'13-'30	11	26		7	1	2	—	—	3	65	20	10	18	13	14	0	45	25	831	*2,400	
★121	Honor	1895	Thomas Ainslie, §	'13-'44	7	25		12	3	3	0	2	5	100	116	—	0	0	0	31	4	2,204	*5,000		
★122	Hopkins, Conn.	1878	[J. Robert Steegstra, Reg'd.]	'41-'44	46	140		38	11	15	1	4	5	100	116	—	0	0	0	2	1,153	2,470	*6,000		
★123	Hubbell	1893			23	45		9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	40	143	3,393	*8,500		
★124	Hudson	1836	Egbert Winter, §	'23-'40	31	75		14	2	2	—	—	8	70	10	—	16	11	13	0	2	40	143	3,393	*8,500
★125	Hudsonville	1878	John H. Balfour	'14-'37	64	169		31	1	1	0	1	—	52	—	—	60	43	47	5	152	287	3,402	*12,500	
★126	Imlay City	1872			25	69		10	4	6	—	—	—	70	—	—	40	28	31	0	99	20	869	*7,500	
★127	Ironton	1886	Serge F. Hummon, §	'45-'45	9	31		10	3	4	—	—	4	40	—	—	14	10	11	0	35	15	303	*2,000	
★128	Isabella, Ensign, R.D.	1900			172	422		20	5	12	5	12	17	180	125	20	200	143	204	636	1,088	19,118	*120,000		
★129	Jackson, Ist	1841			112	422		20	5	6	—	—	7	110	29	—	186	118	133	29	446	287	3,284	*21,500	
★130	" Plymouth	1892	Donald D. Brady	'29-'44	52	149		29	6	6	—	—	7	67	85	—	780	556	614	200	2,150	2,313	18,699	*240,000	
★131	Kalamazoo	1835	William A. Keith, §	'29-'44	423	892		49	29	67	5	11	79	67	85	—	780	556	614	200	2,150	2,313	18,699	*240,000	
★132	Kalkaska, Fed.	1910	Philip H. Gregory	'29-'44	15	43		11	—	—	—	—	66	125	26	—	33	25	31	0	89	157	3,247	*8,500	
★133	" Evergreen	1922	(Inactive)		14	58		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	*2,000	
★134	Kinderhook, a	1864	William S. Carpenter, b	'17-'44	32	101		10	2	2	—	—	5	85	—	—	40	30	30	0	100	15	1,747	*3,500	
★135	Laingsburg	1864	(Inactive)		32	38		45	—	—	—	—	—	50	—	—	40	38	78	15	171	50	3,395	*9,000	
★136	Lake City	1908	Wayne L. Waters, §	'08-'43	118	89		45	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	*1,000	
★137	Lake Linden	1864	William D. Carson, b	'08-'45	26	87		12	—	—	—	—	1	14	—	—	16	11	13	2	42	15	1,035	*12,000	
★138	Lake Odessa	1892	Robert McCleary	'26-'45	31	103		3	3	3	2	2	4	45	—	—	73	52	57	0	182	30	2,147	*11,000	
★139	Lakeview	1892	Robert McCleary	'35-'46	44	151		34	3	3	2	7	10	50	20	—	42	29	36	0	107	18	1,563	*11,500	
★140	Leighton, Mayflower	1902	Elmer E. Heats	'31-'39	195	519		21	25	36	4	21	17	130	97	—	114	84	102	198	498	217	3,800	*29,000	
★141	" Evergreen	1893	Robert M. Bartlett, r	'24-'42	447	1,350		90	63	133	9	6	15	205	300	—	395	282	311	1,101	471	7,440	*33,750		
★142	" Plymouth	1864	(Robert M. Bartlett, r)	'43-'43	447	1,350		90	63	133	9	6	15	500	300	—	624	569	493	454	1,227	2,140	28,015	*225,000	
★143	Lawrence	1837	(Albert J. Arndt, d)	'05-'45	25	62		—	7	14	3	7	10	49	85	—	20	14	29	0	63	58	1,875	*6,000	
★144	Leontas	1885	(Louis Skow, Ind. Fund)	'41-'44	7	30		18	—	—	—	—	2	56	—	—	0	0	0	0	0	0	878	*4,500	
★145	Leroy, East Leroy, R.D.	1857	Jesse C. Shull, Presb.-l	'17-'43	13	37		18	—	—	—	—	2	15	—	—	4	3	3	0	10	0	680	*6,000	
★146	Leslie	1865	Arthur E. Gay	'14-'45	54	132		18	3	7	1	1	2	15	50	—	62	44	49	0	155	90	4,500	*18,000	
★147	Leviston	1892	George A. Adams, §	'19-'42	20	50		18	—	—	—	—	4	25	—	—	24	17	19	25	85	115	1,439	*7,000	
★148	Litchfield	1838	George A. Emerich, §	'07-'44	31	98		38	—	—	—	—	1	35	10	—	15	37	10	0	62	380	4,393	*28,500	
★149	Long Rapids	1910	Albert W. Kaufman, §	'20-'45	21	57		2	—	—	—	—	3	4	—	—	3	1	1	0	0	0	52	283	*7,000
★150	Lowell	1856	Norman G. Woon	'17-'41	72	173		22	15	19	1	3	10	65	67	—	50	30	30	0	52	0	3,690	*29,000	
★151	Ludington, Conn.	1870	Paul Haskell Clark	'25-'31	25	561		52	35	52	1	6	16	320	130	—	140	123	83	0	450	1,275	8,678	*55,000	

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★152 Luzerne	Oliver S. Page, §	'45-'45	15	41	16	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	30	—	10	7	23	6	46	209	596	5,000
★153 Mackinac Island	(Summer Supply)		8	26	42	6	10	3	6	10	170	—	—	125	55	175	125	147	13	457	209	4,266	x *16,500
★154 Manistee	Raymond L. Boatway	'32-'43	120	278	42	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	125	—	2	0	0	5	5	—	—	—
★155 Maple Rapids	L. Edward Dull	'13-'24	50	118	25	2	2	4	8	11	14	75	—	95	—	3	21	21	19	147	13	1,679	x *14,300
★156 Mattawan	William O. Miller, c|§	'20-'43	30	71	30	9	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	75	—	3	23	5	124	4	567	*6,500	
★157 Maybree	Jacob H. Turnbull, Lay, |§	'33-	28	79	10	9	9	4	1	5	40	40	—	40	—	635	22	22	3	82	41	1,355	*7,400
★158 Memphis	Thomas S. Vernon, §	'49-'42	14	70	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	2	1	6	195	39	761	15,000
★159 Merrill	D. Clarence Turbin, dj	'19-'40	21	57	18	8	9	1	3	4	55	16	—	16	—	50	36	39	0	125	25	1,400	*11,500
★160 Metamora	Henry B. Johnson, §	'15-'42	22	58	18	8	9	1	3	4	—	—	—	80	—	610	0	0	0	13	25	1,503	*4,000
★161 Moline	—		138	80	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	5	0	5	0	—	*4,000
★162 Morenci	William Albert Rush, dj §	'35-'37	67	170	65	5	9	2	0	2	—	—	—	176	—	108	75	89	30	303	25	2,768	*18,000
★163 Muskegon, 1st	Samuel N. Oliver	'20-'29	440	1,144	79	77	102	16	19	55	290	345	97	956	623	637	431	2,687	4,531	21,138	x *33,000		
★164 " Jackson	John C. Willis	'91-'35	55	155	20	15	17	1	0	1	80	135	23	40	23	31	100	199	112	3,031	x *7,000		
★165 " McGrift	Clarence D. Oberlin, i	'13-'44	98	246	6	7	12	2	3	5	—	—	—	81	34	120	85	94	157	456	509	5,399	x *35,000
★166 Nervis Lake	(Inactive)		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
★167 Newaygo	Lawrence Horning	'14-'45	62	199	43	5	5	3	2	26	—	—	—	144	34	42	30	33	0	105	190	3,020	x *13,000
★168 New Baltimore	William T. Watson	'37-'45	40	89	23	6	10	1	1	1	2	82	82	44	21	15	21	0	57	230	2,210	x *15,000	
★169 North Haven	William T. Watson, §	'37-'45	32	99	31	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	109	25	72	51	77	152	352	123	1,561	x *10,000
★170 Northaven	G. Russell Parker	'14-'41	69	170	25	6	7	2	0	2	79	70	30	50	30	50	36	39	60	185	13	2,890	*20,000
★171 Old Mission	(Inactive)		112	31	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
★172 Olivet	Thomas W. Nadal, r	'41-'42	93	254	64	8	19	3	—	—	7	126	130	14	13	118	102	41	391	446	4,578	x *108,404	
★173 Onekama	Raymond L. Boatway, §	'33-'42	35	73	22	6	6	1	4	5	30	25	—	24	17	19	0	0	60	0	800	4,000	x *108,404
★174 Onondaga, Fed.	William J. Hunter	'18-'45	20	89	23	2	4	2	2	2	75	—	—	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	732	*6,000
★175 Osoego	Perry L. Gibson	'32-'40	63	188	8	10	13	4	2	14	—	—	—	117	17	50	36	39	37	162	54	4,005	x *31,500
★176 Ovid	William Blanding, dj	'32-'42	43	132	43	7	1	2	1	3	163	240	75	53	39	100	225	430	100	225	430	10,750	x *30,000
★177 Owasco	R. Russell Blanding	'32-'42	24	52	43	4	4	5	2	7	—	—	—	150	25	23	172	172	34	608	175	8,407	x *10,000
★178 Oxford	Henry B. Johnson	'15-'30	29	227	102	3	4	3	6	32	107	65	35	639	21	23	0	83	0	83	0	4,802	x *13,000
★179 Perry	Lowell J. McCarty, Bapt., |	'11-'25	78	193	12	30	45	2	3	8	40	35	—	8	6	6	0	20	10	1915	x *12,000		
★180 Pinckney, Com.	Alfred L. Allard	'25-'44	78	193	12	30	45	2	3	8	40	35	—	8	6	6	0	20	10	1915	x *12,000		
★181 Pine Grove, e	Lisle G. Ketchum, Meth., |	'45-'45	10	18	10	42	64	2	3	2	50	45	—	13	10	10	5	38	22	396	x *2,500		
★182 Pittsford	Marshall A. Rector	'44-'44	72	295	36	42	64	2	3	2	50	45	—	13	10	10	5	38	22	396	x *2,500		
★183 Pontiac	Ralph P. Chaggett	'26-'44	357	911	51	66	95	13	23	2	235	274	100	395	326	296	25	1,042	1,173	20,804	x *50,000		
★184 Port Huron, 1st	John W. Rahill, r	'16-'42	295	814	134	28	39	10	6	24	24	239	63	456	329	363	121	1,269	475	9,854	x *10,000		
★185 " Ross Memorial	William J. Pollock, Bapt., |	'44	16	62	1	2	2	1	0	2	50	73	17	44	31	39	5	119	0	223	1,668	x *15,000	
★186 " Sturges Memorial	Harold H. Davis, Bapt., |	'44	25	93	6	2	2	1	0	2	50	73	17	44	31	39	5	119	0	223	1,668	x *15,000	
★187 Portland	Benjamin I. Davies, Lic.	'45	42	105	6	1	9	6	2	0	60	50	—	40	225	31	0	296	471	897	x *3,500		
★188 Prattville	(Inactive)		110	34	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	
★189 Pullman	Marshall A. Rector, §	'44-'45	13	31	1	18	18	1	0	1	37	30	15	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	472	2,000	
★190 Ransom	Serge F. Hummon	'45-'45	31	104	30	2	4	1	0	1	30	30	—	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	828	*8,500
★191 Rapid River	—		42	128	31	4	26	2	4	6	25	50	30	40	28	31	10	109	25	2,812	x *25,500		
★192 Reed City	Ernest J. Millington	'08-'46	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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*193 Richmond	pBrooks A. Warren	'02-'44	66	207	65	11	12	3	1	5	67	40	12	80	56	64	0	200	265	3,506	x *24,000		
*194 Rochester	Robert J. Burgess	'40-'44	116	346	20	25	37	6	0	1	17	133	143	60	a225	143	157	107	632	100	6,400	x *31,000	
*195 Rockford	pAnthony A. Nelson	'32-'40	87	232	35	6	6	0	1	1	1	85	112	20	195	138	154	18	505	757	4,881	x *19,000	
*196 Rockwood	pEdward L. Hughes, b) §	'99-'43	80	81	18	10	14	0	5	5	—	40	—	a19	30	11	25	85	88	1,322	x 9,000		
*197 Romeo	Oscar P. Bollman, r	'37-'43	134	362	13	20	32	0	9	9	—	120	25	300	229	267	150	946	198	5,463	x *33,000		
*198 Rosecommon	pOliver S. Page	'45-'45	32	98	10	5	5	0	2	2	—	75	28	28	21	21	2	72	22	2,300	x *14,000		
*199 Roseedale	(Inactive)		204	599	35	25	33	10	7	237	173	198	54	a240	100	110	55	439	9,126	x *48,500			
*200 Royal Oak	F. Ervin Hyde	'31-'44	204	599	35	25	33	10	7	237	173	198	54	a240	100	110	55	439	9,126	x *48,500			
*201 Saginaw	Carl Martenson	'32-'42	294	824	60	36	84	10	9	94	299	470	110	1,063	763	824	1,066	2,698	761	21,939	x *234,000		
*202 St. Clair	Clyde H. Wilcox, r	'27-'39	130	303	46	5	17	2	3	5	125	175	15	1,286	1,162	92	1,162	3,610	179	6,345	x *50,000		
*203 St. Johns	Ray T. Caldwell	'14-'43	257	589	43	29	36	3	6	137	179	60	300	235	205	212	81	403	8,899	106,000	x		
*204 St. Joseph	Robert C. Kemper, r	'28-'45	311	693	39	58	103	8	10	87	180	286	70	301	214	246	47	807	589	11,544	x 39,624		
*205 Salem, 1st	(Inactive)		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
*206 Salem, 2nd	Mrs. Lucia M. Stroh	'14-'22	30	76	7	11	1	1	1	2	—	25	—	13	9	10	10	43	17	1,702	x *7,000		
*207 Sandstone, Jackson, R.D.	pDonald D. Brady, §	'28-'44	21	62	23	9	10	—	—	—	—	40	—	60	43	47	13	163	70	781	x 3,000		
*208 Saranac	pGlen E. McCarty, Lic., §	'28-'44	21	62	23	9	10	—	—	—	—	40	—	60	43	47	13	163	70	781	x 3,000		
*209 Saugatuck	Ronco B. Maynard	'42-'36	22	51	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	67	16	80	128	43	123	373	185	3,302	x *33,500		
*210 Sawyer	pRoyce W. Riggs	'43-'41	22	51	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	67	16	80	128	43	123	373	185	3,302	x 1,968		
*211 Shelby	(Robert Van Meigs, e	'06-'44	42	134	26	2	2	5	2	7	75	124	18	67	48	52	0	167	16	1,122	x *23,000		
*212 Sidney	(Inactive)		113	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
*213 Six Lakes	A. Reginald Geld, §	'26-'45	8	28	4	1	2	1	1	3	—	51	—	10	7	8	0	0	0	0	663	x 4,000	
*214 Somerset	pGriffith Evans, Sup., §	'01-'46	33	89	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	35	—	43	30	42	10	125	76	1,350	x *8,000		
*215 South Haven	Lawrence E. Tenhopen	'29-'35	253	620	85	53	74	4	12	16	—	200	48	605	483	473	253	1,814	898	10,408	x *60,000		
*216 Stanton, United	(George M. Hovda, Meth.)	'39-'43	25	94	8	8	8	2	0	2	75	136	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	680	3,428	x *14,500	
*217 Suttons Bay	pG. Russell Parker, §	'14-'41	17	43	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	33	19	—	30	21	24	25	100	28	923	x 6,000	
*218 Texas, Kalamazoo, R.D.	(Guy W. Hawley, Meth.)	'08-'46	10	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	75	20	30	21	24	0	5	0	1	440	x 3,000	
*219 Thompsonville	pKarl W. Wildt, Lic.	'44	30	70	39	1	1	2	3	25	25	65	—	366	425	275	60	1,126	652	8,899	x *44,000		
*220 Three Oaks	Joseph M. Artman	'06-'43	92	223	51	17	20	5	2	7	75	65	—	366	425	275	60	1,126	652	8,899	x *44,000		
*221 Tipton, Com.	(Inactive)		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
*222 Traverse City, 1st	Howard R. Towne	'27-'27	377	1,023	169	41	64	13	16	29	—	315	70	660	257	283	220	1,420	419	9,409	x 60,000		
*223 Traverse City, 2nd	Thomas E. Bennett	'07-'44	48	134	36	19	24	2	—	6	—	130	25	41	29	32	0	102	23	2,348	x *38,500		
*224 Union City	Mark G. Lingham	'10-'41	89	237	44	15	18	5	4	9	—	170	60	120	85	94	5	304	337	3,279	x *38,500		
*225 Vanderbilt	pL. Myrven Isaacs, §	'13-'40	11	42	14	—	—	—	—	—	26	—	—	6	4	5	0	13	15	851	x *38,500		
*226 Vermontville	(Inactive)		14	41	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	44	—	38	27	30	7	102	113	872	x 7,000		
*227 Vernon	pWard K. Klopp, §	'20-'42	17	38	20	—	—	—	—	—	25	70	10	7	8	0	25	35	35	1,221	x 2,500		
*228 Victor	(Inactive)		14	41	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	44	—	38	27	30	7	102	113	872	x 7,000		
*229 Watervliet	Clifford W. Hillier, r	'29-'45	104	225	14	6	14	1	12	13	98	167	18	191	8	95	11	35	0	3	1,988	x *25,500	
*230 Wayland	Clarence G. Ellinger, §	'30-'41	37	90	21	4	1	1	1	8	30	70	15	41	29	86	95	118	423	563	3,188	x 5,000	
*231 Wayne	Erwin A. Britton	'39-'41	131	320	31	11	27	8	5	13	—	26	24	a227	137	151	100	615	926	6,218	x *45,000		
*232 Webster, Dexter, R.D.	William O. Hainsworth	'24-'40	37	84	45	10	10	—	0	1	—	10	15	75	52	82	19	228	153	1,321	x 5,000		

Contributions to War-Victims-and-Reconstruction are included in "Other Gifts".

a Includes direct giving to Detroit City Work.

b Presb.

d Granted leave of absence, Army Chaplain.

e Bapt.] Interim pastor.

